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Mother of Rochester Dies in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES—Death struck the entertainment colony again here July 18 taking in its wake Mrs. Ella Mae Anderson, former circus performer and mother of Eddie (Rochester) Anderson.

Mrs. Anderson had performed a tightwire act with circuses until injuries in a fall compelled her retirement. Her husband, Ed Anderson, had toured with minstrel shows.

Four sons and a daughter survive. Her death followed shortly behind that of James Baskett, Academy Award winner and star of the Walt Disney film, "Song of the South."

Los Angeles Lightweight Collapses, Dies in Corner

Report Stricken Boxer Was Hospitalized

5 Weeks With Injuries Suffered in Fall

HOLLYWOOD, Calif.—An autopsy began Saturday into the death of ~~Eugene~~ DeCatur, ~~22~~-year-old lightweight boxer from Los Angeles, who collapsed and died in the ring at Hollywood Legion Stadium Friday night.

DeCatur, reportedly suffering from a faulty heart, was the fight's second fatality within a week, following by only a few days the untimely death of Sam Maroudi in Chicago.

Police said they learned that DeCatur had been a patient in General Hospital for five weeks last October from injuries suffered in what the youth explained as a fall from a horse. He complained of "terrific headaches" and "double vision," they said.

Prelim Fighter

Police also learned that he had had his tonsils and appendix removed at the hospital earlier.

DeCatur, married and father of a 2-year-old daughter, died 10 seconds before the end of a four-round preliminary bout, his first professional fight. A veteran of 40 amateur fights, DeCatur was ahead on points against his opponent, Fred Herrera, 20, Mexican scrapper from Jerome, Ariz., when the tragedy occurred. It was also Herrera's first pro fight.

As the fight neared its end, Herrera landed a solid punch to DeCatur's midsection and followed with a right to the jaw. The two clinched for a moment, then Herrera stepped back.

Collapsed in Corner

DeCatur collapsed, his head thumping the floor in a neutral corner. Referee Tommy Hart began to count, then called off the fight and summoned seconds into the ring. They gave DeCatur first aid.

DeCatur was the twenty-second boxer to die from ring injuries within less than three years. There were nine such deaths recorded last year and 11 in 1946.

**James Baskett, 44,
Radio, Film Actor**

**Portrayed Uncle Remus in
Song of the South**

HOLLYWOOD, July 9 (UPI)—James Baskett, forty-four, stage, radio and screen actor, died at his home here Friday night of a heart ailment. *Diec. 7-11-48*

He was best known for his portrayal of Uncle Remus in Walt Disney's picture, "Song of the South," and for the role of Gabby Gibson, the fast-talking lawyer on the "Amos and Andy" radio program.

Mr. Baskett was born in Indianapolis, Ind. He studied to be a pharmacist but was lured to the stage while on a visit to Chicago. He played in stock shows at Chicago for many years before going East. On the New York stage Mr. Baskett became known as one of Broadway's leading Negro performers and for many years he was a star with Lafayette players.

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**Amos 'n' Andy in
Afro-American
Pallbearers Roles
Baltimore, Md.**
Get Academy Award for
Performance in 'South'

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Funeral services for James Baskett, well-known radio, stage and screen actor, who died in Hollywood, July 9, at his home at the age of 44 of a heart ailment, were held here last week at Fisher's Funeral Home. His mother and his wife flew here from Indianapolis to attend the funeral.

Active pallbearers included Lou Lubin, Wonderful Smith, Bardu All, Sam McDaniel, Dooley Wilson and Freeman Gosden. The last-named is the Andy of Amos 'n' Andy radio program.

Honorary pallbearers were listed as Zev Clark, U. S. Thompson, Leight Whipper, Quintard Miller, Willie Covan, Nicodemus Stewart, Jack Lavin, Henry Lewis, Danny Alexander, J. Louis Johnson, Andy Russell, Richard Robinson, Marcus Slayton, Maceo B. Sheffield, Virgil Benson and Joe Roddy. The

Death Claims Academy Award Winner



James Baskett (center), the Uncle Remus of Walt Disney's "Song of the South," who died on July 9 in Los Angeles, is shown with Academy President Jean Hersholt as he received from Ingrid Bergman, his Oscar, a special award for outstanding work in the picture. Baskett left a sick bed to be on hand for the ceremonies. He was the only colored honored by the Academy this year. Insert shows him made up for the role he portrayed.

last-named is publicity director of the Walt Disney studio. *7-24-48*

Rev. Mr. Collins Officiates

Officiating at the rites were the Rev. H. Mansfield Collins, pastor of the Neighborhood Community Church, assisted by Chaplain Chalmers Gaithers. Participating in the services were the Jester Harriston choral group, the Delta Rhythm Boys, a selection; Leigh Whipper, remarks; Airelee Clark the obituary, followed by a eulogy by the Rev. Mr. Collins.

Floral pieces designed by florist Lillian Hammond were lavish profusion. Outstanding pieces included a red rose casket blanket from Bardu and Otilia Ali; a chain from "The Artist" by Billye Yarbo; bleeding heart from the widow and mother; a pillow from the goddaughter, Mrs. June Mobley; large broken wheel from Lou Lubin and Freeman Gosden; a story book on "Uncle Remus" by Lillian Hammond and a beautiful wreath making a standard from Thomas Arcode. *Afro-American*

Remains Cremated

Following services at the Rosedale Cemetery, the casket containing the remains of a "great actor" *Baltimore, Md.*

Later, he went to New York where he became famous

be cremated and the ashes shipped to Indianapolis to be buried beside his father. *7-24-48*

It was quickly learned by his having won the role of Uncle Remus in the Afro-American cartoon film "Song of the South."

It was the film role of Uncle Remus, that won for Baskett the special academy award for outstanding film performance in 1947. It is believed, Baskett's long weak kidney condition was greatly aggravated by the ordinary stress and the agitation carried on by certain Negro groups against the role he was portraying. The

kidney ailment brought on a car-diatic condition which brought on severe heart attacks which finally accounted to his death. Baskett, was married to Mar-

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Academy Award Winner Baskett

By LAWRENCE F. LAMAR

LOS ANGELES—*He*, short for career, was a great figure here in the Hollywood realm often theatrical arts, second member of his racial group was a fixture at the "Oscar" in Hollywood, presented annually by comedian Pigmeat Markham. The coach. He was born at Indiana-Art and Sciences society. Baskett, Baskett's work as strait man to dow, he is survived by his mother, Elizabeth Woolrich of Indiana. Mrs. Woolrich arrived here Saturday night by plane from Indianapolis city. Funeral arrangements have been completed

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Noted Actor Won Academy Award, Starred on Radio

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By HERMAN HILL
(Pacific Coast Bureau)

LOS ANGELES—The final curtain dropped for James Baskett, noted screen and radio actor, at his home last Friday when he succumbed to a heart ailment, which had plagued him for several years.

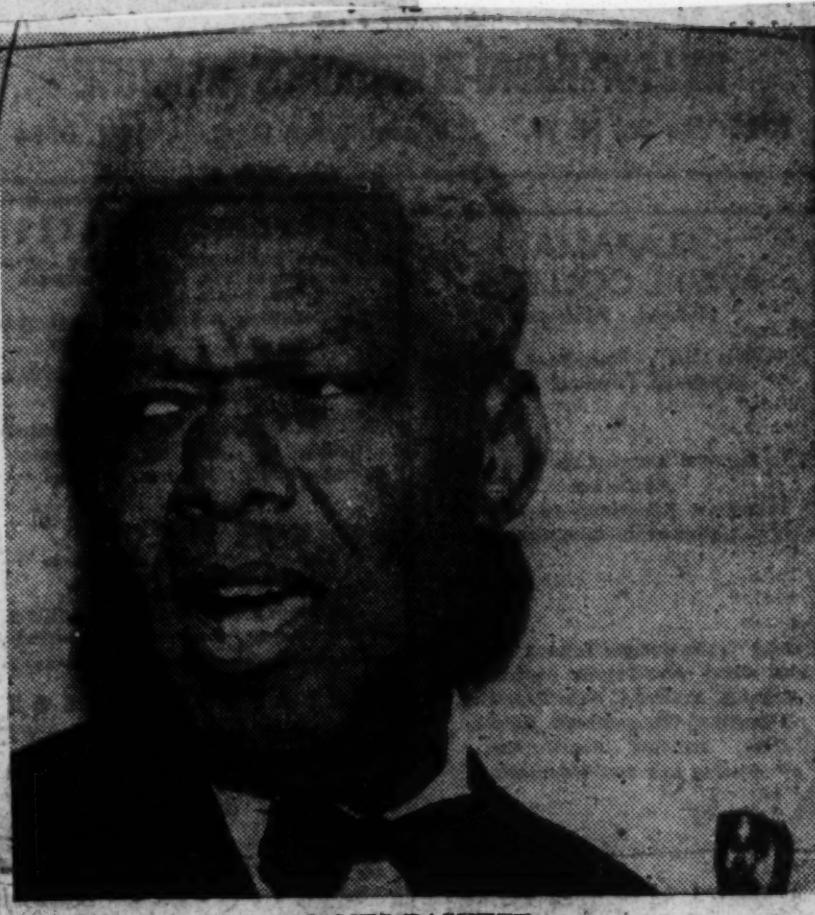
Baskett gained international fame by his portrayal of Uncle Remus in Walt Disney's "Song of the South." The film was his first and only screen role. He was ill when he did the part, but in true trouper fashion carried on. Baskett was also well known for his "Lawyer Gabby Gibson" on the Amos 'n Andy radio show.

Born in Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 18, 1904, Baskett studied to be a pharmacist, but later turned to the stage in Chicago and New York. He toured the country with stock companies and road shows and gained prominence as the "Lawd" in the New York stage production "Green Pastures." Baskett came to Los Angeles several years ago as a straight man with Pigmeat Markham, New York comedian. The team played the Lincoln Theatre with success for many months. When Disney's studio was casting for the role of Uncle Remus, Baskett was chosen over a host of better known actors. His zenith was reached when he was given a special Oscar during the annual Academy Award program this year for his work in "Song of the South." The presentation was made by Ingrid Bergman and Jean Hersholt at Shrine Auditorium. It was with difficulty that the personable actor was able to leave his home and appear on the program.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 P. M. from W. W. Fisher and Sons Mortuary. The body lie in state from Sunday until the services and hundreds of friends and admirers visited the chapel to pay last respect to his memory.

Active pallbearers were band leader Bardu Ali, Danny Brown of the Ken Murray "Blackouts" cast, Wonderful Smith of Red Skelton show, Freeman Gosden, Amos of "Amos 'n Andy;" J. Lewis Johnson and Lou Lubin, Charles, the barber on the "Amos 'n Andy" program.

Cremation was at Rosedale Cemetery. Baskett is survived by his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Woolridge of Indianapolis, who attended the funeral, and his widow, Mrs. Margaret Baskett.



JAMES BASKETT

James Baskett, 'Oscar' Winner Dies Of Stroke In Hollywood

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Fri. 7-16-48

Actor Was 44 Years

Old At Time.

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., July 12.—James Baskett, stage, radio and screen actor, died at his home here Friday night of a heart ailment. He was 44 years old.

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Baskett is survived by his widow, Mrs. Margaret Baskett.

Zion Bishop Alstork Rites Set for Today

Funeral services for Bishop Frank W. Alstork, 63, who presided over the Virginia, Albemarle and North Carolina Conferences of the Eighth Episcopal District of the AME Zion Church, will be held today at 1 p.m. in the Galbraith AME Zion Church, 1114 6th st. nw.

Bishop Alstork died last Monday of cerebral hemorrhage, following an automobile accident May 24 in Waverly, Va. He had been in Freedmen's Hospital since June 2.

Born in Catoga, Ala., he was graduated from Tuskegee Institute and Talladega College in Alabama, and received a doctor of divinity degree from Livingstone College, Salisbury, N.C.

One of the most progressive figures in the AME Zion Church, according to friends, Bishop Alstork first came to Washington in 1929 as pastor of the Union Wesley Church at 23d and L sts. nw. He remained at that post for 14 years, until he was sent to the Wesley Church in Philadelphia in 1942.

In 1944, he was elected Bishop at the AME Zion Church's general conference, and assigned to the Tenth District of Alabama. He was assigned to the Eighth District at the conference held in May, 1948.

Deeply interested in education, Bishop Alstork was chairman of the board of trustees of Hood Theological Seminary, in Salisbury, N.C., of Lomax Hannon College in Greenville, Ala., and of Dinwiddie Normal and Industrial Institute in Dinwiddie, Va., and a member of the board of Livingstone College.

He was also a board member of the International Council of Religious Education, a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and a member of the Fraternal Council of Churches.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Willie G. Alstork, who lived with him at 622 Keefer st. nw., he leaves six brothers and sisters—John, of Demopolis, Ala.; Robert and Clarence

New York City; Mrs. Ellen B. Patton of Demopolis, Ala.; Mrs. Marie Davis of Connecticut, and Miss Eula Alstork of New York City.

Bishop Alstork Given Last Rites

AME Zion Prelate Buried in Washington

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — Funeral services for Bishop Frank W. Alstork, 63, presiding bishop of the Virginia, Albemarle and North Carolina Conferences of the Eighth District of the AME Zion Church, were held last Friday in Galbraith AME Zion Church, here.

Bishop Alstork died on July 5, of a cerebral hemorrhage suffered after an automobile accident, May 24, in Waverly, Va. He had been in Freedmen's Hospital since June 2. Burial was in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

He was also a board member of the International Council of Religious Education, and a member of the Fraternal Council of Churches and the NAACP.

Surviving his are his wife, Mrs. Willie G. Alstork; three brothers, Clarence and Robert of New York and John of Demopolis, Ala., and three sisters, Mrs. Ellen D. Patton of Demopolis and the Misses Marie and Eula Alstork, both of New York City.

No one can ever say that Alstork faltered even in a losing fight. He knew no fear," Bishop Cameron O. Alleyne said in delivering the eulogy at the funeral services.

Bishop Alstork's metal casket was not opened at the close of the services, as is the usual custom here, for the public to view the remains. The body, however, had been lying in state in the church from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., time of the funeral, for the benefit of those who desired a last view.

Widow Carried Out
His widow, Mrs. Willie G. Alstork became so grief-stricken during the services that she had to be carried out of the church. One other relative also had to be carried out.

Bishop Benjamin G. Shaw, speaking in behalf of the Board of Bishops was unable to continue his remarks because of grief for his friend and brother-bishop.

10 Bishops Participate

Ten of the AME Zion Church's remaining 11 bishops were present and participated in the final rites for Bishop Alstork.

Bishop W. J. Walls presided at the service; Bishop H. T. Medford lined a hymn, "Servant of God Well Done;" Bishops Raymond L. Jones, Edgar B. Watson and John W. Martin read scriptures. Bishop

W. W. Matthews (retired) prayed. Bishop William W. Slade, led the hymn "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand," and Bishop Buford F. Gordon gave the obituary. The Galbraith Senior Choir sang.

Dr. D. C. Pope, Foreign Missions secretary, and Dr. Eichelberger, education secretary, also attended.

Active pall-bearers at the funeral were the Revs. Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lynch, W. A. Stewart, Stephen G. Spottswood and T. O. Diggins.

Held Bishopric Four Years

Elected bishop in 1944 and assigned to the Tenth District, Bishop Alstork was transferred to the Eighth District in May, 1948. He was chairman of the boards of trustees of Hood Theological Seminary in Salisbury, N.C.; of Lomax Hannon College, Greenville, Ala.; of Dinwiddie Normal and Industrial Institute, Va.; and a member of the board of Livingstone College.

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Bury Bishop Frank Alstork in Washington

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Bishop Alstork died of cerebral hemorrhage following an automobile accident May 24. He had been in Freedmen's hospital since June 2.

1st Pastorate in Huntsville

A native of Alabama, he was graduated from Tuskegee Institute and Talladega College in Alabama, receiving his doctor of divinity degree from Livingstone College, Salisbury, N.C. His first pastorate was in Huntsville, Ala.

Bishop Alstork came to Washington in 1929, as pastor of the Union Wesley Church. He was named bishop of the 10th District of Alabama at the general conference

held in Detroit, in 1944. Last May he was made bishop of the 8th district at the general conference in Louisville. He was known as one of the most progressive figures in the AME Zion Church.

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were spent as chairman of the English department.

Edward Syphax, Noted Educator, Buried In D. C.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NNPA) — Funeral services for Edward M. Syphax, 70, who taught in public schools here for 49 years before retiring last October, were held last week from the Berean Baptist Church.

The Rev. W. Pearson officiated. Burial was in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Syphax died on Aug. 26 at Freedmen's Hospital after a long illness.

Born in the District of Columbia in 1878, he was the son of Colbeck and Cordella Syphax. He was the nephew of William Syphax, who was one of the first members of the board of trustees of the colored schools of Washington and Georgetown, and for whom Syphax School was named.

WON MATHEMATICS MEDAL

He was educated in the public schools here and was awarded a mathematics medal in a citywide contest while he was attending the old M Street High School, from which he was graduated in 1896. In 1898 he was graduated from Miner Teachers College, and that same year was appointed a teacher in the local public schools.

Numerous articles written by him, which were published in the United States, Great Britain and Germany, established him as one of the leading Defoe scholars in the world.

Theodore F. Newton, professor of English literature at McGill University, once wrote Dr. Burch:

"You are by all odds now our authority on Defoe's Scottish period."

Dr. Burch had lectured on 18th century literature at Yale, Albany State Teachers college and other institutions, and spent the past two years preparing a book on Defoe in relation to the ideas of his age.

BERMUDA-BORN

Dr. Burch was born in St. Georges, Bermuda in 1891. He received his A. B. degree from Wilberforce University in 1914; an A. M. from Columbia in 1918, and a Ph. D. from Ohio State in 1933. He also studied as a fellow at the University of Edinburgh and did research work in England and Scotland.

He taught at Morris Brown college, Tuskegee Institute, Longwood, and Wilberforce Universities, Alabama State Teachers college and was a member of the staff of Howard for 27 years, 20 of which

Mr. Syphax is survived by his widow, Mrs. Florence J. Syphax and a brother, Charles S. Syphax who is mathematics professor emeritus at Howard University.

According to police, the bus driver, struck Dr. Brown as she was crossing K Street in the crosswalk. The bus, police added, was going north on 12th Street and was making a left turn into K St. Witnesses told police Dr. Brown's body was knocked about 12 feet by the impact. She died en route to the hospital.

For the past five years, Dr. Brown has spent considerable time

bus at 12th and K Sts., N.W. last Friday afternoon. Police charged the bus driver, William H. Evans, Jr., of Greenbelt, Md., with failure to yield the right of way to a pedestrian and failing to give full attention to operation of the vehicle.

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For 30 years, Mr. Syphax was organist and choirmaster in Baptist churches here, including the Shiloh, Berean, Zion and Liberty churches. He designed the organ at the Shiloh church. From 1903 until the late 30's he appeared in many organ recitals here and in Harrisburg, Pa., and New York City.

PUPIL OF BLIND COMPOSER

He was a pupil of the late Dr. John W. Bischoff, blind composer and for 35 yrs organist of the First Congregational Church (white) here.

Mr. Syphax was a trustee of the Washington Conservatory of Music and was an active member of the Musicians' Guild, the Oldest Inhabitants, Inc., the Bloomingdale Citizens' Association and of Teachers' Union No. 27, AFL. He was active in work of the Columbian Educational Association.

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operating a commercial orchard at Opequon, Va.

Alumna on Board

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He said she had been a successful doctor, had been prominent as a philanthropist and had done extensive work for the United States Public Health Service.

A native of Winchester, Va., Dr. Brown came to Washington more than 60 years ago. After graduating from Miner Teachers' College and teaching biology there and in several schools, she attended Cornell University, where she obtained her A.B. degree in 1908.

Studied at Sorbonne

Four years later, she received her M.D. degree at Howard University. Members of her family said she also studied at the Sorbonne in Paris.

She practiced medicine here for several years and gave health lectures in nation-wide tours under auspices of the National Board of the YWCA.

In 1924 she was appointed the first woman alumna trustee of Howard University. At the time of her death she was one of three women trustees there, the others being Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and Dorothy Canfield Fisher, the writer.

Dr. Brown was a hostess for American Gold Star Mother tour of European cemeteries in 1930 and 1931 and a co-founder of the National College Alumni Association.

She also was a member of the Lend-a-hand Club for unmarried women, Freedmen's Hospital Nurses' Committee, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and the NAACP.

Brothers, Sister Doctors

Among her activities for the Public Health Service was work in connection with Mississippi River flood disasters.

Dr. Brown and a sister, Dr. N. Fairfax Brown, a pharmacist and a retired school teacher, owned a four-story apartment house at the 13th St. address, where they had their own apartment.

Other survivors are two brothers, Dr. James Earl Brown, a professor at the University of Pittsburgh, and Dr. John Brown, a retired physician of Winchester and Pittsburgh.

Claude McKay, Noted Poet, Author, Once Idol of Russia, Dies Here

Chicago Defender
Chicago Ill. Sat. 5-29-48

Claude McKay, internationally known author and poet, died in Chicago last Saturday morning, May 22, after a lingering illness at Alexain Brothers hospital. He came here several years ago to join the staff of the Catholic Youth Organization, and had taught classes at Shell House, Michigan avenue and For-

ieith street. He was 58 years old.

McKay, who was a native of Jamaica, British West Indies, came to public notice many years ago when he ran an elevator at an exclusive New York club. One of its members was the noted author and writer, the late Frank Harris, editor of Pearson's Magazine. McKay, carrying Harris as a passenger, gave him a poem and asked the editor to criticize it for him.

Harris, on the way to address a group of authors, looked it over and was amazed. It caused him to change his lecture. He read McKay's poem, and stated that the author was "anonymous." Someone suggested that a search should be conducted for the man who could produce such a literary gem. Harris then exposed the writer in a humorous manner.

"If you want to meet the author of this poem," he said, "just shake hands with that little black elevator boy who carries you down and compliment him. He gave it to me as I was coming here." The audience was shocked.

Harris went further, saying: "This shows the cruelty and inoperativeness of our so-called democracy. Here is a man who can write far better or equally as well as any member of this literary club, yet because of his color has to be content with running an elevator. I'm going to publish this piece in my magazine and place him where he rightfully belongs, in the literary world." Harris did, and soon thereafter McKay became a contributing editor to the Liberator Magazine, a Socialist publication headed by Max Eastman and Floyd Dell, both noted authors.

When the Communists, under Lenin, took over Russia and were reconstructing that country, McKay was invited there by the government and feted from one end of the country to the other. Out of this experience he wrote his most famous poem, "If We Must Die." It was revolutionary in appeal and gave courage to the mi-

norities fighting against great odds.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—William H. Evers, 28-year-old Capital Transit bus operator, last Tuesday pleaded not guilty when arraigned on a charge of negligent homicide in the death of Dr. Sara Winifred Brown, 80-year-old retired physician and a trustee of Howard Uni-

versity.

Dr. Brown, a philanthropist and first alumna named to the board of trustees at Howard University, was fatally injured when she was struck by a bus operated by Evers on Friday, Nov. 12. The retired physician was crossing K street at Twelfth street northwest.

Municipal Court Judge Thomas D. Quinn set Evers' bond at \$500 and granted a request for a jury trial. Date of the trial was not set.

A coroner's jury on Monday, Nov. 15, held Evers responsible for Dr. Brown's death. The six-man jury, after deliberating half hour ordered Evers held for action of the Municipal Court under the Negligent Homicide Act.

Police had charged Evers with failing to give full attention to his driving, as well as failing to yield the right of way to a pedestrian.

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in the crosswalk. The bus, police added, was going north on 12th st. and was making a left turn into

K st.

Witnesses told police the woman's body was tossed about 14 feet through the air by the force of the impact. She died in an ambulance en route to Emergency Hospital.

Evers was held for action of the coroner and charged with failing to give full time and attention and failing to yield the right of way to a pedestrian. He was released in custody of Capital Transit attorneys pending the inquest.

For the past five years Dr. Brown had divided her time between a farm in Opequon, Va., and her sister's residence here, at 1330 13th st. nw. The sister, a doctor of pharmacy and a retired school teacher, is Dr. N. Fairfax Brown.

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All Florida Mourns Passing of Tampa Bulletin Editor

By Edward F. Morse.

Tampa, Fla. (G) - All of the state of Florida are mourning the sudden passing of Mrs. M. E. Potter, editor, owner and publisher of the Tampa Bulletin, Florida's leading weekly.

Only a slight two years ago, the husband died after years of service as publisher and founder of the Bulletin and as a prominent pastor and presiding elder of the AME Church.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Potter carried on with vigor and efficiency, but the strain evidently proved too much. On Sunday morning she was present at services in her beloved Allen Temple AME Church. When the offering was lifted it was she who went to the table and made a plea for a liberal collection because of the needs of the Church. Sitting in her living room just before the hour for the evening services, discussing church matters with friends visiting from Portsmouth, Va., she was stricken in the midst of a sentence. When her friends rushed to her chair she was dead.

Active in the work of the Urban League, the Municipal Hospital and most of the divisions of her church, Mrs. Potter was eulogized at her church by a dynamic young pastor, the Rev. R. J. Blaine.

Final Rites For Bishop H. Y. Tookes Set for Tuesday

Final rites for Bishop H. Y. Tookes, of the 19th Episcopal District, Texas, will be held at Grand Memorial AME Church, Jacksonville, Fla., on Tuesday, June 15, at 10 a. m. The church pastor is Dr. W. H. Ball. cat. 6-12-48

Among those expected in attendance at the funeral are:

The wife of the deceased, Mrs. H. Y. Tookes; his daughter, Miss M. P. Tookes; his bro., G.H. Tookes, the many bishops of the AME Connection, presiding elders, college presidents, deans, chaplains, pastors, laymen and friends.

Nine Are Dead In U.S. Crash, Four In Reich

Chaplains Due At Parley Are Believed Victims; Air Lift Craft Collide

NEWTON, N. J.—A C-47 transport plane which the Army said probably was carrying Protestant chaplains to a Connecticut conference, crashed and burned Tuesday at a nearby farm after a collision with another Army plane, killing all nine persons aboard.

An Army public relations officer at Olmstead Field, Middletown, Penn., said the plane hit a B-25 from Stewart Field, N. Y. The officer said only the wingtip of the B-25 was damaged and it returned to Stewart Field.

He said nine persons were aboard the C-47, en route to a religious meeting at the Jesse Lee Academy. He said the plane left Middletown at noon.

The plane crashed near a swamp on the Blakeslee farm near here. Pieces of wreckage spread over a 500-foot square area.

State police said the tail piece of the plane was found some distance from the wreckage.

Army officials said no list of casualties will be released until the next of kin are notified.

~~65 Chaplains Due~~
Col. Charles T. Carpenter, in Danbury, Conn., to supervise the meeting at Jesse Lee Academy, said 65 Protestant Air Force chaplains are scheduled to participate. All are to be flown in Army transport planes.

Carpenter said unless the crashed plane was one he "didn't know about," he believed it was one which was scheduled to land at Danbury Airport at 3:55 p.m. (CST).

Father Lissner, Founder Of Negro Missions, Dies

TEANECK, N. J.—(Special) Father Anthony's Negro Mission, 51 Bliss services for the Very Rev. Ignatius Lissner, S.M.A., founder of the Order of Negro Sisters and the American Province of the more than a dozen missions for Roman Catholic African Missions. Negroe were established by Father societies, were held Tuesday after Lissner during his 40 years Mt. Carmel Roman Catholic service in the United States.

Born in Woxheim, Alsace, he was educated in France and ordained to the priesthood at Lyons of St. at Holy Name hospital. He in 1891. After serving six years had lived in retirement at St. as a missionary in the French

General

West Indies, he came to the United States in 1897 and left shortly afterwards for service as a chaplain with the British Army in Egypt. He returned to this country in 1906.

During his several years of mission work in the South, Father Lissner founded missions in Savannah, Augusta, Atlanta and Macon, Ga., and also in Silver Springs, Md., and Tucson, Ariz. In 1916 he founded the Handmaids of the Most Pure Heart of Mary. Father Lissner retired in 1946.

African Student At Wilberforce Dies After 3-Day Illness

WILBERFORCE, O.—Memorial services for Joseph Frumpong KanKam, Jr., 25, student in the department of economics at Wilberforce University, were held Friday morning in Jones Auditorium on the campus.

Mr. KanKam, a native of Gold Coast, British West Africa, died Tuesday in the Springfield City Hospital, where he had been a patient for three days. His death was caused by uremia and other complications.

He was receiving financial assistance from the missionary branch of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. He had received a degree from Adisadel College, Cape Coast, and entered Wilberforce University in March, 1947.

Mr. KanKam is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph KanKam, and nine brothers and sisters. He was described by college authorities as "a brilliant and industrious student."

The body was taken to the John W. Patterson Funeral Home in Springfield. Funeral services were held Saturday and he was buried in Massey Creek near Wilberforce.

Final Tribute Paid To Father Flanagan At Boys Town, Nebr.

Boys Town, Nebr.—The citizens of Boys Town paid final tribute to Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Flanagan May 21.

Shortly after dawn and through light rain, they walked to Dowd Memorial Chapel for the funeral of

the priest who took them off the streets and gave them a home.

After the services the body was committed to a tomb in the northeast corner of the chapel.

Father Flanagan, who would have been 62 on July 13, was ordained to the priesthood in 1912. In 1917 in Omaha, where he was an assistant pastor, he borrowed money, took over an abandoned house and made a home for five boys. In the succeeding 35 years, 5,500 boys have found a home in Boys Town.

Father Flanagan died in Berlin, Germany, on May 15. He was on an inspection tour of European youth facilities.

Only Negro Letter!

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—(G)—Mr. S. H. Coleman, only Negro letter carrier in this city, was buried a few days ago after being fatally struck down by an automobile driven by student drivers on one of the city's streets.

Mr. Coleman was a graduate of the Florida A. & M. College and a prominent lay leader in the A. M. E. Church. He was an Elk, a Pythian and a past Grand Master of Masons.

~~Died: HELEN LEE WORTHING, 43, a Ziegfeld Follies beauty of the '20s who married a Negro physician, Dr. Eugene Nelson, at the height of her career; in a three-room cottage in Hollywood, Aug. 26. Her death was believed to be from natural causes, but former investigation was under way.~~

DELEGATE DIES AT

The KANSAS CITY

Mrs. Fannie K. Smith of West Palm Beach, Fla., widely known church worker and delegate to General Conference died while attending the session of the Conference. She was a faithful worker in the State Missionary Society in Florida and Payne Chapel Church, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Bus Operator Held in Death Of Dr. Brown

6-Man Jury Deliberates
Half-Hour; Driver

To Be Arraigned Today

A coroner's jury yesterday held William H. Evers, 28-year-old Capital Transit bus operator, responsible for the death, November 12 of Dr. Sara Winifred Brown, 80, a retired physician.

The six-man jury, after half hour's deliberation, ordered Evers held for action of the Municipal Court under the Negligent Homicide Act. He is slated for arraignment this morning.

Dr. Brown, a philanthropist and first alumna named to the board of trustees at Howard University, was fatally injured when she was struck by a bus operated by Evers. The retired physician was crossing K st. at 12th st. nw.

Huntley Ruff, of 528 24th st. nw., a truck driver for the Kane Transfer Co., testified Dr. Brown was crossing the street with the light in her favor when the bus turned onto K st. from 12th and struck her.

Evers, who lives at 13-U Ridge rd., Greenbelt, Md., did not testify.

Earlier, the jury found that the death of Mrs. Caroline McCauley, 87, of 1954 Columbia rd., was accidental.

JULIAN B. THOMAS

Julian B. Thomas, 320 Manhattan Avenue, a linotype operator on THE NEW YORK TIMES for the last seventeen years, died Thursday afternoon in Harlem Hospital where he was taken after suffering a heart attack a few days earlier. He was 48 years old.

He was born in Brunswick, Ga., and as a young man attended Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. In recent years he was active as president of the Carver Seal Committee of New York in raising funds for the Carver Foundation for scientific research at Tuskegee. Mr. Thomas was on The World and The Graphic before coming to THE TIMES on May 21, 1931.

He is survived by his widow, Sarah, four brothers and a sister.

A funeral service will be held at the Mickey Funeral Home, 228 Lenox Avenue, on Sunday at 2 P. M. Burial will be in Brunswick, Ga.

Segregated Burial Policy Uncovered

ELYRIA, O.—(Special)—Segregation of Negro dead in privately-owned Brookline Cemetery has been revealed by Charles Gray, president of the Community Welfare League.

Mrs. Ray Carter, league committeeman, said in a statement to The NEWS that the segregation practice is an insult to Negroes.

Gray stated that the situationing from the loss of a loved one, Council President Seward N. Black referred the matter to the Negro burials. Said Black, "Such practice had no place in our community for investigation and adds humiliati

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Chief's Defense
FATHER FLANAGAN
The sudden death of fat-
her Edward J. Flanagan in
Germany, came as

great shock to all Americans who know of his great work as the founder of Boys Town Nebraska. The Catholic

The Catholic leader was a pioneer in redeeming Europe.

The Mayor of Boys Town and distinctions based on race and color play no part in the life of that community. Father Flanagan built wisely and well. He was not only a great Catholic, he was a true American and a firm believer in democracy. His untimely passing is mourned throughout our



Constitution Staff Photo—Pete Roto

RITES HELD FOR BELOVED NEGRO SEXTON
Prominent Atlantans serve as pallbearers for Walter Blaino, loyal Negro sexton of St. Luke's Episcopal Church for nearly 50 years. The Rev. J. Milton Richardson, Rector of St. Luke's, leads the procession as it leaves the church after the funeral. Bishop John Moore Walker and the Rev. S. C. Usher, Negro, assisted in officiating.

Devoted Negro Sexton Is Paid Final Tribute

By KATHERINE BARNWELL

They paid final tribute yesterday to a man described as "one of the most devoted friends St. Luke's Episcopal Church ever had." As the city and State celebrated the triumphant inauguration of Gov. Herman Talmadge, funeral services for Walter Blaino, devoted Negro sexton for nearly half a century, were attended by hundreds of his friends—white and Negro.

Flowers, beautiful, massive educational pursuits, he served on sprays, literally banked the chan-State interracial commissions uncle at St. Luke's Church. The other Governors Davis, Hayes and white-robed choir — members of Brough. which the aging sexton had known well—sang appropriate hymns. He is survived by six children.

Bishop John Moore Walker, who assisted in conducting the services, said simply:

"Walter represents the great Christian virtue of faithfulness. An appropriate epitaph would be: 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant.'

Cyril B. Smith, a member of St. Luke's for nearly 40 years, observed:

"Walter was the most loyal person I have ever known."

The Rev. J. Milton Richardson, Rector of St. Luke's, and the Rev. S. C. Usher, Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of which Walter was a member, officiated along with Bishop Walker.

"Walter," said the Rev. Mr. Richardson, "always represented the finest traditions of loyalty, service and reverence."

Walter Blaino came to St. Luke's when he was an orphan boy of 14 with Dr. C. B. Wilmer, Rector for 25 years, who reared him. He had been a part of the church ever since, serving under five rectors. At one time he kept the treasurer's books, and for many years he kept the records of marriages, funerals, baptisms and confirmations.

Dr. Wilmer wired Mr. Richardson from Tampa, where he now lives. "It is impossible for me to express in few words my feelings on learning of the passing of our beloved Walter."

The Rev. High Moore wired: "A great soul has gone to Paradise."

Eight prominent Atlantans served as his pallbearers—Philip H. Alston, Sr., William Cole Jones, Cary B. Wilmer, Charles S. Hammond, Dr. E. A. Bunker, Edward S. Gay, Shepherd Bryan and Joseph H. Williams.

Philander Smith *The Courier* Ex-Presy Dies *(20 Pittsburgh, Pa.)*

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—(ANP)—Dr. James Monroe Cox, president emeritus of Philander Smith College and widely known Methodist minister, died in his home here recently at the age of 88. The veteran educator taught Greek and Latin at the college before he was elected president in 1887.

He was born in Chambers County, Ala., in 1860 and came to Arkansas more than sixty years ago. One of the best known Negroes in the State, he was considered among the top scholars of his race. He was the first Negro citizen of Arkansas to be listed in "Who's Who In America." Besides his ministerial and ed-

Atlantans Shocked By News Of Death Of J. Richardson Jones

J. Richardson Jones, cinematographer and newspaperman of the city, died suddenly Monday afternoon while conversing over the telephone in the office of a local physician.

The deceased was born in Atlanta where he spent most of his life. His age was given as 47-years-old. He was said to have been suffering from a heart ailment for sometime.

Other than being connected with the field of journalism and photography, the deceased had been publicly acclaimed as an inimitable dramatist, performing as Master of Ceremonies on several noteworthy occasions.

To most people the likable Atlantan was more familiarly known as "just J. Richardson," whose grave concern for thee welfare of his people and his persistent fight for civil liberties evoked commendations from organizational heads and the public at large.

Formerly an insurance salesman, the personable photographer-reporter gave service to a number of newspapers over the nation, among which were the Atlanta Daily World, the Chicago Defender, the Pittsburgh Courier and the Afro-American.

Among his outstanding achievements was the filming of a news reel entitled "Atlanta's Parade of Progress," which had a nation-wide showing.

FAITHFUL TO THE END

As a member of the Citizens' Defense Committee in his diligent fight to expose brutality and abridgements of civil rights, Jones made several trips throughout terror-stricken areas of the state to gain first-hand information and photographic evidence exposing yesterday by his "boys"—all white.

Among those were trips to Monroe, Ga., to probe the brutal massacre of two husbands and their wives in 1948; the sadistic Glynn County prison slayings near Brunswick; the slaying of Henry Gilbert, sometimes talked of Reconstruction near LaGrange, Ga.; the Loganville Days—the period between burnings of two churches and school house laid to a Negro, all during last year; and more recent-day about him. He organized two investigations into the death social clubs to keep back from

Georgia

They told of how Will used to read the Bible to them, of how he once sent the whole club weekly on its way to Sunday School when a revolt threatened, and of how he had no use for whisky and fighting.

John Woodward, who writes for the Atlanta Journal, said of Will and his "boys":

"He kept more of them from becoming tramps and bums than you can imagine. One boy, kicked by his father, ran away from home. Will rounded him up, kept him for several days and then, when homesickness came, took him home again."

We're Scared, Fire Victims Tell Courier

By JAMES EDMUND BOYACK

(Special to The Courier)

LYONS, Ga.—Three Negro homes were mysteriously burned to the ground in this town of 3,000 in recent days.

This reporter examined one of the homes on the highway near the county court house where Mrs. Amy Mallard fought for the indictment of two men whom she identified as among the mob who murdered her husband, Robert, on Nov. 20.

An anonymous letter to him in connection with the fires was made public by Ralph McGill, editor of the Atlanta Constitution. It read:

"We are scared. Last Tuesday night John Baker's place burned down and last night two more colored places burned. W. M. Lockey and Mose Brazios are on the same street. They say they are too close to white folks."

"We have lived here for years and we do not have no place to go. We do not know what to do. We have no rights. Help us if you can. God knows we do not bother the white folks."

The shack examined by this reporter was windowless. Only the four charred walls were left standing.

In the court room, FBI Lieut William E. McDuffle showed the reporter another letter, typed on the margin of a page of Time magazine of Dec. 6.

The page contained a photo showing, left to right, retiring Capt. Bill Conway, Coach Herman Hickman, and newly elected 1948 Capt. Levi Jackson of the Yale football team. On an adjoining page was a photo of Lieut. McDuffle talking to Mrs. Amy Mallard. This anonymous letter was mailed from Oklahoma City, and stated:

"Lieutenant McDuffle, ignorant (censored) like you could not be admitted to Yale College. Aren't

they no ordinary character. He was no ordinary photographer. He was no ordinary man. His popular esteem was simply attested in the admiring throngs who braved Friday's wintry blast to pay their final tributes of respect to him. Big Bethel was his church affiliation. But few Atlantans stopped to question his church connections. He belonged to all the churches and to all of the people. Jones has answered the call and his memory will be cherished by all who knew him in Atlanta and throughout the Nation.

You ashamed to admit that a Negro is smarter!

It Happened In Georgia

WILL HILL was a Negro who won the friendship of many white boys. He gave them kindly advice and organized social clubs to keep them out of mischief. Some of the youngsters later became successful business men. All attributed their success to the Negro who counseled them as youth. Will Hill went to Heaven in October. His "boys," all white and none under 60, took him to his grave.

What makes this tale so poignant: It happened in Atlanta, Ga.

J. Richardson Jones

J. Richardson Jones, Photographer and Cinematographer, has answered the last call. His sudden death in Atlanta last Monday was a severe shock to all Atlantans, for he was beloved by all groups and classes and by both races. His death will be equally as shocking to citizens over the Nation who had come to know and admire him.

Mr. Jones, it might be said, was an Ambassador of good will for colored Atlantans. He was a great bundle of energy, a human dynamo, as it were. It was no secret that doctors advised him to "go slow." Jones was not made up like that. He could not sit by when an opportunity presented itself to do a good turn for some child in the street, just any child needing his tender care; he could turn down the appeal of some club, church or other group which needed him to write a story, take a picture and make a contribution to their cause, and most of all, he could not withstand the temptation of risking his very life to go and photograph a distressed victim who was about to be railroaded to the electric chair or to prison for a crime, which in many known cases, were due to rank conspiracy between arresting officers and the accusers.

Such is the story of J. Richardson Jones, dramatic reader, radio commentator, cinematographer and Atlanta Daily

Claude McKay Poet, Succumbs

CHICAGO (UPI)—Claude McKay, 58, author and poet, died in a hospital here last Saturday morning after an illness of several years. He had been living in Chicago for the past five years, doing research work for the National Catholic Youth Organization and writing poetry, which is expected to be published. He became a Catholic in 1942, the year his last book of poems appeared.

Born in Sunnyville, Jamaica, Mr. McKay came to this country in 1912.

He studied at Tuskegee Institute and Kansas State College. He worked as a Pullman porter, dock-hand and fireman, and gathered the material for his writings.

He worked in New York on the Liberator and in London on the Dreadnought with Sylvia Pankhurst. He met Nikolai Lenin and Leon Trotsky in the early days of the Russian revolution, and in 1922 he addressed the Third International as a representative of the American Workers party. He remained in the Soviet Union until 1923 to write a book for colored Americans on the Russian revolution.

NOVEL A SUCCESS

His novel, "Home to Harlem," was published in 1928 and became an immediate success. In 1929 the William A. Harmon Foundation honored him with a gold medal and \$400 for his book of poems, "Harlem Shadows" and for his "Home to Harlem."

"Banana Bottom," a story of Jamaica in the early 1900s, appeared in 1938. It was followed four years later by his autobiography, "A Long Way From Home." His last book, "Harlem: Negro Metropolis," was published in 1940. Other volumes he wrote included "Songs of Jamaica," 1911; "Constab Ballads," 1912, and "Spring in New Hampshire," 1920.

His alleged assailant, Oscar Perry, 27, also a Negro, is held on a murder charge.

City, County and State police fearing a possible outbreak of violence, escorted the procession.

Bousfield Gibbs Die In Chicago

Two nationally known Chicago medical figures died here Monday, and a third is gravely ill at Billings hospital.

Dr. Midian O. Bousfield, widely known as a medical administrator and as commanding officer of the station hospital at Fort Huachuca during the war, died suddenly at his home Monday morning. Funeral services will be held Thursday.

Dr. William W. Gibbs, who had retired after a distinguished career as an obstetrician, died Monday morning after an illness of several weeks. Both were members

most of them members of the United Packinghouse Workers and other CIO unions, took part in a funeral procession Friday to honor a picket who was shot to death while trying to keep another man off the job.

Dr. Spencer C. Dickerson, one time commanding officer of the Eighth Illinois Regiment, is gravely ill at Billings hospital.

Physician-Soldier Was Member Of Famed "8th Illinois"

The photo
Noted Leader Was Known By Many Citizens Of Nashville At One Time Was On Faculty Of Roger Williams University

Chicago, Ill.—(Special)—Death claimed Dr. Spencer C. Dickerson, a retired General from the Eighth Illinois Regiment. He passed away at the Billings Hospital at 9:30 p. m. on Wednesday, Feb. 25th, after a lingering illness. The deceased was one of the leading doctors in this city and in the State of Illinois.

He was a member of the National Medical Association and took part in many of the Clinics in Tuskegee Institute held annually, and in other hospitals. He was a native of Texas, but left the one Star State many years ago. At one time Dr. Dickerson was

Mrs. Edward L. Peacher, was born, and reared in Nashville, Tenn., and finished her literary training at the old Walden University in Tennessee's capital city.

There were no children born to the union.

Mrs. Dickerson is one of Chicago's registered nurses employed by the City of Chicago, a position that she has held for more than twenty-five years. General Dickerson, besides his wife, is survived by two sisters who reside in California, and a brother living in Texas, with other relatives, many of whom were expected to be present at the funeral services at eleven o'clock Thursday morning.

Notice of the death of General Dickerson was sent throughout the United States, and there were scores of letters, telegrams, messages of sympathy sent to the bereaved widow and relatives. The floral designs reaching here were profuse.

General Dickerson's death follows closely on the heels of the death of Col. Bradden, who was a Chaplain in the Regiment with the rank of Colonel. It will be recalled here that both General

Dickerson and Colonel Bradden

were principal figures in a big Red Cross Demonstration Parade and Mass Meeting held in Nashville about four years ago. They went down from this city in full uniforms as the guests of the Colored Division of the Red Cross Drive. The meeting was held in the War Memorial Building down in Nashville.

Hold Rites For Legion Official

Military rites for Robert S. Harrison, commander, George L. Giles post of the American Legion, who died at his home at 6040 South Parkway last Friday, were held Tuesday evening at the Metropolitan funeral parlors.

Burial was in Lincoln cemetery Wednesday following services at the Good Shepard Congregational church. Harrison was 56 years old.

At the time of his death, Harrison was manager of the United States Employment Service at 4735 South Parkway.

Survivors are his wife, Allie; a daughter, Amily; one brother, Prof. Frank Harrison head of the music department, Talladega college, and a sister, Mrs. Cora Biggs of Los Angeles.

Heart Attack Ends Life Of Dr. Bousfield

CHICAGO—(AP)—A heart attack suffered early Monday morning brought to an abrupt close the colorful career of Dr. Midian Othello Bousfield, vice-president, medical director and one of the original incorporators of the Liberty Life Insurance company, here.

He was 62 years old at the time of his death, and during World War II, headed the army hospital at Ft. Huachuca, retiring with the rank of colonel.

He was born in Tipton, Mo., Aug. 22, 1885, to Willard Haymen and Cornelia Catherine Gilbert Bousfield. At an early age, the family moved to Kansas City, Mo., where

Funeral Parade for the Slain Striker
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Illinois

Citizen
1939-1942: secretary, National Citizens Committee, White House Conference on Children in a Democracy of 1940; winner of the University of Kansas alumni citation for distinguished service, 1941; chairman, subcommittee on Negro health of the health and medical committee, U. S. Office of Defense Health and Medical Education, 1943-1942; director of Negro health, Julius Rosenwald fund, 1939-1942; president, Chicago Urban League, 1935-1939; organizer of National Association of Hospital Administrators, 1936; Hospital administrators section for North and South Carolina and Virginia, 1937; its southeastern section for Georgia and Alabama, 1937; mem. U. S. Office of Defense Health and Medical Education, 1943-1942; chairman, Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, 1940; served as an intern at Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, upon graduation from Northwestern in 1906; he served an internship at Freedmen's Hospital, Washington.

MANY ACTIVITIES
In addition, his activities included President of the National Medical School, Chicago, from which he graduated in 1906; he served an internship at Freedmen's Hospital, Washington. He started work at the age of 11, as a boy, in the elementary and high school education department. Through this means, he was enabled to work his way through the University of Kansas, from which he received an A. B. in 1907, and NMA commission on hospitals and then through Northwestern University.

Welfare services, 1941; chairman National Emergency Defense committee, NMA, 1941, official U. S. delegate to the eighth Pan-American Child congress, 1942; consultant to U. S. Children's bureau and Chicago board of health.

chairman of the executive committee, first vice-president and medical director. He relinquished the chairman post in 1938, upon assumption of the directorship of Negro health at the Julius Rosenwald fund.

Fellow of American Public Health association, American Medical association and the Institute of Medicine Chicago; member of boards of directors of the Chicago and National Urban leagues; Provident Hospital, Chicago; Wabash Avenue YMCA, Chicago; South Side Boys club, Chicago; Metropolitan Housing Council, Chicago; National forum, Chicago; Tuberculosis Institute of Chicago and Cook County; Chicago Civil Liberties committee; Lincoln center, Chicago; and Re-builders triangle (tuberculosis rehabilitation.)

He entered the armed forces in 1942 as a lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Medical corps. He organized and directed operations of Station Hospital No. 1, at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., the first all-Negro hospital unit accepted by the U. S. army, and was retired in the rank of colonel in September, 1942. A member of Kappa Alpha Psi and Sigma Pi Phi fraternities, he was named a member of the board of governors of the American National Red Cross in June, 1947.

Surviving him, beside Mrs. Bousfield, are one daughter, Maudelle and a grand son.

Heart Attack *Dallas by press* Ends Life Of

Dr. Bousfield

M. 2-21-54

CHICAGO (AP)—A heart attack suffered early Monday morning brought to an abrupt close the colorful career of Dr. Midian Othello Bousfield, vice-president, medical director and one of the original incorporators of the ~~Liberty~~ Insurance company, here. He was 62 years old at the time of his death, and during World War II, headed the army hospital at Ft. Huachuca, retiring with the rank of colonel.

From 1915 to 1919, Dr. Bousfield was secretary of the Railway Men's International Benevolent Industrial association, pioneer Negro labor organization. As one of the original incorporators of the Liberty Life Insurance company, he was its first vice-president and medical director, from 1919 to 1925; was president of the firm from 1925 to 1929, following the death of Frank L. Gillespie; and when the company, following a merger, became the Supreme Liberty Life, he was elected

Candy Jim Taylor, Grand Old Man Of Sepia Baseball, Dies In Chicago

Memphis World 29 *Memphis Germ.*
Fri. 4-9-48
 The baseball world was shocked last Saturday night to learn of the death in Chicago of James "Candy Jim" Taylor, who died at 6:15 p.m. at People's hospital. Candy Jim was one of the pillars of Negro baseball, having spent a lifetime in the game.

He was one of four brothers who made baseball history by their brilliant play and contribution to the national pastime. He came to fame with his brother, the late C. I. Taylor, with the Indianapolis A B C's more than two decades ago. Rated

as one of the best third basemen in the game, he was also a natural batter, and even went in as a pinch batter as late as seven or eight years ago. *4-9-48*

He was one of the most distinctive figures on the baseball field, a hard fighter and a bane to umpires. He was a shrewd manager and a good judge of baseball talent. He enjoyed the admiration and respect of all baseball people both fans and players alike, he was what the ball players called a "ball player's" manager. *4-9-48*

Taylor had been in poor health for more than a year and had recently undergone a stomach operation. Last season he was manager of the Chicago American Giants, but had served as manager of many of the clubs now in the two leagues. He was scheduled to manage the Baltimore Elite Giants this season, of the National League.

Memphis World
 He was 63 years old, a bachelor and for years had been known as the "Grand Ole Man of Baseball." He leaves a brother, Ben, who lives in Baltimore and another brother, Steelarm" who lives in Peoria, Ill. Funeral services last Tuesday Chicago, Peoples Funeral Home charge. *Memphis Germ.*

Illinois Medical Pioneer Susanna

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP)—Dr. Isabelle Garnett Butler, dean of colored physicians along the North Shore here, died in a medical institution she established over 34 years ago last week at the age of 76.

Along with her husband, the late Dr. Arthur D. Butler, she established what is now the Community Hospital on the upper floor

of their home. This was the first hospital for colored patients in the North Shore area.

Second Baptist church here; and she was buried at Sunset cemetery,

Glenview, Ill. She is survived by

a son, Arthur D. Butler Jr.; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Florence

Butler; two grandchildren, Arthur

and Florence; a brother, John

66, Culver, Ind.; and a sister,

Grace.

A. & T. COLLEGE PROFESSOR
TAKES JOB AT W. VA. STATE
 GREENSBORO, N.C.—Assistant teacher-trainer at A. and T. College, W. T. Johnson, has accepted the position of head teacher-trainer at West Virginia State College. He will assume his duties immediately.

Janitor Dies Just Few Days After Retiring to Take It Easy

The Courier-Journal
Louisville, Ky. ²⁹
An elderly Negro janitor who
retired last week to "take things
easy for a while" died at 9:15
a.m. yesterday at Red Cross Hos-
pital. *Fac. 1-9-48*

Showered with gifts of food
and money from his employers,
Charles Sowell, 69, 1017 Hancock,
had been all set to enjoy life

after 30 years with the Jenner
Company, engravers, Sneed
Building. *The Courier-Journal*

A sudden illness struck him
several days after he retired. He
sank rapidly, members of his
family said. *Louisville, Ky.*

Officers and workers of the
company had given him \$100 in
food and cash on his last day at
work. *Fac. 1-9-48*

Funeral will be at 1 p.m. Mon-
day at Grace Presbyterian
Church. Burial will be in Louis-
ville Cemetery.

He Defended
**Notables In
 Attendance At
 Lewis Funeral**

Oct 24 1948
 PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Notables of the Negro Press and many other people of national prominence attended the funeral here at Holy Cross Episcopal church Thursday afternoon of Ira Foster Lewis, 65, President and general manager of the Pittsburgh Courier, who died last Saturday evening in the Commodore Hotel in New York. He was a victim of heart attack.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Harriett Lewis, Adelaide Lewis Scott, Jane Lewis Woodson, daughters; Robert Ira Lewis, son, and Eugene Lewis, a brother, who were at his bedside when he died.

Mr. Lewis who was also president of the Interstate United Newspapers, Inc., and regional vice-president of the National Negro Publishers' Association, was born in Lexington, N. C. Aug. 25, 1883. He lived his early years in Charlotte, attending Biddle University for a year before leaving for the north.

In 1908 he met Harriet Eleanor Nicholson and a year later they were married.

He listed among his friends men high in the industrial, financial and political life of the nation, among whom were Pres. Harry S. Truman, Michael L. Benedum, the oil magnate Joseph T. Wier, industrialist and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

A member of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity and the Masons, he was also former president of the Loendi Club, oldest social organization of its kind in the country and former vestryman of the Holy Cross Episcopal Church.

Courier President Is Laid to Rest

October 24, 1948
 By CHESTER L. WASHINGTON JR.

(Courier Associate Editor)

PITTSBURGH—They laid the "Little Chief" to rest in serene Homewood Cemetery Thursday—directly opposite the mausoleum where his teammate, "Big Chief" Robert L. Vann lies in repose—after a host of notables, ranging from the Nation's President down to city officials, had paid a reverent tribute to one of America's truly great newspapermen, Ira F. Lewis.

Imposing final rites for The Pittsburgh Courier's crusading president were held in flower-banked Wesley Center AMEZ Church Thursday afternoon before a capacity audience with many of the Negro Who's Who in America.

The dignitaries came from all sections of the Nation included Congressman William L. Dawson of Chicago, ex-Senator Joseph Guffey, Walter White, executive secretary of the NAACP, and Commissioner Grant Reynolds of New York; Thomas W. Young, president of the NNPA; Truman K. Gibson, president of Supreme Liberty Life, William Graham and George S. Schuyler from New York; Atty. Austin Norris of Philadelphia and Joseph D. Bibb of Chicago, Raymond Pace Alexander of Philadelphia, and scores of others.

SERVICES IMPRESSIVE

The solemn services were impressively conducted by Father Samuel D. Ruddy, rector of the Church of the Holy Cross which Mr. Lewis was once a vestryman, assisted by the Rev. Charles H. Foggs, pastor of Wesley Center, Father Charles Levy of New York, the Rev. Robert P. Johnson of Bethesda Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Cornell E. Talley of Central Baptist, and the Rev. Porter W. Phillips of Carron Street Baptist Church who paid significant and diversified tributes to the deceased for his life of service and achievement.

Father Levy praised Mr. Lewis for his unselfish contributions and services to his church and his community. The Rev. Mr. Johnson commended his achievements in spite of obstacles, in the difficult fields of big business and race relations.

HIS LIFE AN EXAMPLE

The Rev. Mr. Talley predicted that the inspiring example of Mr. Lewis' life will be as "enduring as Mount Zion" to his race and to those who will follow in his foot-

steps. Members of The Courier's Board of Directors, officers and staff members, led by Mrs. Robert L. Vann, publisher and treasurer, and Mrs. Daisy E. Lampkin, vice-president, followed.

The Courier's office was closed at noon in respect to the memory of its deceased president.

Following the Wesley Center rites, a solemn motorcade of approximately seventy-five cars, preceded by a motorcycle escort, moved to the beautiful Homewood Cemetery where the body was interred in a plot facing the burial place of the late Robert L. Vann.

MANY OUT-OF-TOWNSERS

Scores of out-of-towners and countless State and city officials attended to pay tribute to the militant newspaperman who fearlessly carried the torch against second-class citizenship for members of his race.

Among the many distinguished visitors were: Col. Campbell C. Johnson of Washington, D. C., representing the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; Ormand A. Forte of the Cleveland Herald, William O. Walker of the Cleveland Call Post, Mabel and Lawrence Payne of Cleveland, Atty. William S. Sherwood, James Edmund Boyack of New York, Miss Ira M. Leveton, Ray Peck and William G. Black from Interstate United Newspapers, Inc., C. B. Powell of the Amsterdam News, John Davis, Our World publisher; Ted Stanford and Kiah Sales of New York, Hugo Warren, Robert Taylor, Ernest Humble, Lloyd G. Blane, all of Washington, D. C.; Lucius Jones, New Orleans; Ted Coleman, Chicago; Albert Dumore, Cleveland; Atty. Ted Berry and Camille Cole of Cincinnati, Luther White, Cleveland; Horace Cayton and Ted Coleman, Chicago; Ted Poston, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Hobson Reynolds, Philadelphia; Mrs. Roy Rogers of Philadelphia, Mrs. Annie Dudley, Berlin, Pa.; Mrs. Mabel Dunbar, Washington, D. C.; J. A. Rogers, New York; Truman K. Gibson Sr. of Chicago, Frank Bolden and Will Robinson of Detroit, Lem Graves of Washington, D. C.; Jack Saunders and Talmadge Jackson of Philadelphia; John H. Sengstacke of the Chicago Defender, Campbell C. Johnson of Washington, Frank Horne from Saratoga Springs, N. Y.; Pittsburgh's City Treasurer Edward P. Kirk representing Mayor David Lawrence, Prothonotary David B. Roberts, Representative Homer Brown and many others.

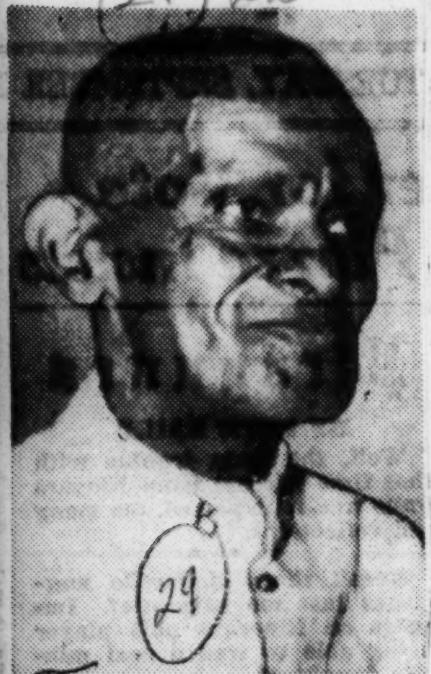
WIRES FLOOD OFFICE

Hundreds of wires of sympathy flooded The Pittsburgh Courier office and scores more were sent to his widow, Mrs. Harriet Lewis. The senders included President Harry S. Truman, Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York, Governor Walter W. Bacon of Delaware, Senator Claude Pepper of Florida, the Miami Negro Press Club, Emory Jackson of the Birmingham

Veteran Employe of Boston Club, Widely Known, Dies

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leans, studied Latin and Greek at Straight university before leaving to work for the Varieties Club, whose rooms were in the Grand Opera House and whose members sponsored the theater.

When the Opera House was closed in 1897, he crossed Canal street to find employment in the Boston Club.

In an interview last year he made this observation on conditions then and now:

"The tables of the club were filled with snipe and quail in '97 and all the food was seasoned highly. Now, so many men are on a diet that the food's served flat . . . some can't eat salt, some can't eat pepper, some want tabasco, so we put a row of sauces for the different tastes. Men lived 'til 90 in the old days. Now they die too soon."

F —Photo by The Times, New Orleans
WILLIAM HARRIS

The crepe was hanging at the Canal street entrance of the Boston Club Monday. That, in itself, was not unusual, for the crepe always hangs there when a member of the club dies.

What was unusual was that no member had died recently and the crepe was hung at the club's door to mark the passing of a Negro aged William Harris.

William, as he was known by members of the club and by thousands of other New Orleanians, died early Monday in the Illinois Central hospital. He had been ill almost a year.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the Joseph P. Geddes funeral home, 2826 Danneel street, and the body was taken to Natchez for burial in the city cemetery beside his wife. The only survivor is a brother, Bert Harris of Des Moines, Ia.

William's great day came each Mardi Gras. For 39 years he assisted the Boston Club president up a ladder to toast Rex in the presence of tens of thousands of revelers. He always wore a scarlet coat and white knee breeches.

He was honored by the club in May, 1947, upon his completion of a half-century in its employ. A plaque bearing his likeness, done by Angela Gregory, was placed in the lobby, and remains as the only plaque there.

William was born in New Or-

Brief, Simple Rites Held for Mrs. D. O. W. Holmes

29 Sat. June 6-1948
Wife of Retiring President of Morgan College
Sat. June 6-1948

Lauded as Great Lady; Cremation Planned

BALTIMORE

Brief, dignified rites, reflecting spirit her life of service, were held at the Morgan State College Christian Center on Saturday for Mrs. Lucy Messer Holmes, wife of retiring president, Dr. Dwight W. Holmes.

Mrs. Holmes was 75 years old. She died on Wednesday at Johns Hopkins Hospital, where she had been carried the previous day after suffering a heart attack.

The body, encased in a gray cloth casket and clothed in a simple gray dress, adorned with an orchid corsage, lay in state from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. when the services began.

Flowers Given Hospitals

The altar of the center was a solid bank of floral designs, varying from the most elaborate to simple containers of flowers, of myriad hues. Following the services they were distributed to patients at Provident and Johns Hopkins Hospitals.

Officiating was the Rev. Howard Cornish, director of the Christian Center. He read the scripture lesson including the 100th Psalm, and offered as a reading, a section of Kalil Gibrahn's poem, "The Prophet."

Three Graces in Her Life

James Carter, business manager of Morgan, read a tribute to "Mother Holmes As We Knew Her," in which he noted that loyalty, courage and love were the three graces in her life.

He said in part:

"Long years ago, she ceased to represent on these grounds, any semblance of a figure clothed with awesome dignity, or of one apt to move and speak with chilling authority."

Was Gracious, Loving

"By the gracious courtesy of her bearing, by that thoughtful understanding which lent a solution to almost every problem, by the abundance of her love, sufficient to be shared with us all, she came to personify at Morgan, that symbol which men have come closest to worshipping after they have paid tribute to their gods."

"She became Mother Holmes, and by that name, forever green, will be her memory."

Active in Campus Life
He spoke of her rare talent of

Maryland

friends on the campus, talking briefly with many who gripped his hand in understanding sympathy. "This is the sort of thing she would have me do," he told them.

Mrs. Holmes From Ohio

Mrs. Holmes, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Messer, born in Zanesville, Ohio, was a graduate of Oberlin College, and did post graduate work at Howard University.

As a teacher she served at Dunbar High School in Washington, Bricks School in Enfield, North Carolina; and at Douglass High School in Baltimore.

In 1907, she was married to Dr. Holmes who was then science teacher at Douglass. June 17 will mark their 41st wedding anniversary.

Pioneered in D.C. Social Work
While residing in Washington where Dr. Holmes was teacher at Minor Teachers College, and dean of the Howard University Graduate School; Mrs. Holmes became one of the first social workers there.

She was one of the founders of the Washington Council of Social Workers, serving as its vice-president for nearly 20 years.

She held membership in the National Association of College Women, the Alpha Kappa Sorority, the Philamathians and the DuBois Circle.

Most recently she shared honors with Dr. Holmes at testimonials and banquets held prior to his retirement.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Holmes was survived by two sons, Dr. D. O. W. Holmes Jr., a physician residing in Newark, N.J.; and Messer Davis, a son by a previous marriage. There is also a two-month old granddaughter, Gwendell Holmes.

Ashes to Be Blown

Later, the ashes will be blown over the waters of the Chesapeake Bay where Mrs. Holmes and her husband had spent many hours in their yacht during their vacations.

Active pallbearers were John L. Berry, a former student, Dr. A. O. Reid, resident of Morgan Park; Edward N. Wilson, registrar; George C. Grant, dean, Earl R. Moses, teacher at the college, and a student representative.

Honorary pallbearers included members of the Morgan and Metropolitan Methodist Church trustee boards, the Gamma Boule, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and the Frontiers Club.

Dr. Holmes Greets Friends

Perhaps the most remarkable and touching part of the whole afternoon, was the serenity and poise of Dr. Holmes. After leaving the center, he greeted his sorrowing

MRS. MINNIE P. TUCKER:

Death of Soprano Recalls The Old American Great Musical Era Here

By W. LLEWELLYN WILSON

BALTIMORE

Music lovers note with sadness, the recent passing of Minnie Peck Tucker, the youngest daughter of the late Rev. E. W. S. Peck, who was prominently identified with the musical life of Baltimore.

Early in her girlhood she began a career as a soprano, which continued up to the time of her death. She was a member of the Baltimore City Chorus.

Mrs. Tucker's passing recalls a chapter in the development of music here, which many of our local oldsters remember with pleasure: the period which brought before the American public such talented theatrical performers as our own Lloyd Gibbs, whose superb tenor voice carried him all over the United States and before the crowned heads of Europe.

Many Others Listed

Incidentally, Mr. Gibbs still survives and is now living in New York City, where he is enjoying a comfortable retirement.

Others of this period included, in part: Bert Williams, George Walker, who formed the great team of Williams and Walker; S. H. Dudley, Sissereta Jones (Black Patti), Flora Batson, Nelson Tunstall, Ida Force, a dancer of superior talents; Constantia Brown (now Mrs. Ralph Reckling), Will Marion Cook, the gifted brothers, James Weldon and J. Rosamond Johnson; Avery Fleetwood, Tressa A. Stewart, and her brother, Ambrose Briscoe.

This group of talented performers did much to fire the ambitious youngsters of that day to become writers of plays, composers, singers, dancers, producers, and to stage original musical plays.

Lewis Hamilton Murray

The local nestor in the Baltimore area was Lewis Hamilton Murray, now a principal in one of our secondary schools, whose annual musical plays drew capacity audiences to the old Albaugh's Theatre, which stood on N. Charles St., near Preston St.

Mr. Murray enjoyed the personal friendship of all the great stars who came to Baltimore, which added much to his own histrionic gifts.

Mr. Murray, "Hamp" as he was affectionately called by close friends, always selected the members of his casts with meticulous care. Talent and character were the chief criteria which formed the basis of his selection.

Featured Mrs. Tucker

Usually, the late Mrs. Tucker would be one of the prima donnas

Friday at the Holland Funeral Home. Interment followed at Arbutus Memorial Park.

Worked as Waiter, Steward

The son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Marshall who operated a grocery store at Division and Dolphin St. the deceased was educated in the local public schools.

He worked many years as a waiter and steward in both the Gibson Island and Maryland Country Clubs. He was forced to give up work over a year and a half ago because of illness.

Others contemporary with Mrs. Tucker were Rosa Murdock, Anna-bell and Selma Waring, Winifred and Edna Waters, Hattie Jackson, Rachel Williams, and Pearl Gaines. The passing of Mrs. Tucker closes an important chapter in the musical life of our Baltimore of a few years back.



WILLIAM C. MARSHALL

Illness Proves Fatal to Marshall

BALTIMORE

In failing health for the past year, William C. Marshall, 65, father of Thurgood Marshall, special NAACP counsel, died early Wednesday morning at his home, 1638 Druid Hill Ave.

His death followed by 15 days, that of his mother, 90-year-old Mrs. Annie Marshall, who died on Feb. 7.

He was given funeral rites

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Massachusetts

**WOMAN WHOSE COOKING
PLAYED PART IN HISTORY DIES**

BOSTON—Mrs. Mary E. Gibson, who taught a man to cook and thereby played a role in Negro history, died here last week. Mrs. Gibson taught the late Monroe Trotter, president of the famed Boston Equal Rights League, to cook, thus enabling him to qualify as a second cook on a French steamer bound for Paris where he presented the "Case of Colored Americans" before the Peace Conference after the first World War.

Dr. S. D. Redmond, 90, Southern Leader Dies

Jackson, Miss.—Dr. S. D. Redmond well-known leader, lawyer and physician died here in Baptist Hospital last week.

The 90 year old doctor-lawyer served as chairman of the Mississippi Republican Executive Committee for the past 24 years and was reputedly the third largest income tax payer in Mississippi. He owned valuable real estate and was known to have been successful as a stock speculator.

Dr. Redmond was born in Holly Springs, Miss., and came to Jackson 60 years ago to practice medicine. In later years, he returned to his Alma Mater, the University of Illinois, to study law, feeling that the study of medicine was too taxing. He practiced law for 40 years.

After the outbreak of World War II, Dr. Redmond practiced both law and medicine until his death.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Johnnie Redmond; two daughters, Mrs. Esther Redmond Lowe and Mrs. Ruth Redmond Hall; a son, Sydney Revels Redmond, a brother, A. M. Redmond; and a nephew, Perry W. Howard.

Dr. Delaine, Noted Mississippi Civic And Fraternal Leader, Dies

Memphis World (29) Memphis Tennessee

Fri. 1-16-48

Unexpectedly At Greenville Home

GREENVILLE, Miss., Jan. 11—Drives during World War II, and Dr. Leonidas DeLaine, widely other civic projects. He was chair-

man physician, civic, fraternityman of the financial campaign for and political leader, died at his the Miller Memorial Library and home in Greenville, Miss. Sun Community Center, which closed this morning at 7:45 o'clock as formally Wednesday night of last month of a heart attack.

He had arisen, possibly to dress honor of the late well-known to go to his office; however, he Greenville leader, Dr. Miller. returned to his bed and passed Doctor DeLaine also played a quietly, at his residence, 714½ prominent part on a state-wide basis, in the Elks Lodge, Greenville and National Business League; Knights and Daughters of Tabor; the Mississippi Medical and Dental Society and the Republican Executive Committee for Mississippi.

A former resident of Memphis, where he practiced his profession, Dr. DeLaine was popularly known in the Bluff City. Even after establishing himself in Greenville, he maintained his Memphis business and social connections. He was one of the first directors of the recently established Tri-State Bank of Memphis, and was a frequently seen figure in Memphis social, civic, fraternal, and business circles.

Doctor DeLaine was born in 1894 in Manning, South Carolina. He received his literary training at Kitrell College, Kitrell, N. C. He was a graduate of Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, where he obtained his A.B. Degree. He took his pre-medical course at Western Reserve and his medical degree from Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn. He finished his internship at Lakeside Hospital in Cleveland under direction of the famous Dr. Crile. He served as a First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Medical Corps during World War I.

All of his career above all. He had the strength leader in Mississippi was given to perceive the truth, to embrace in a telephone conversation to the truth and to execute the truth. Memphis World by his secretary I have lost a great friend. I feel Miss Beatrice W. Taylor, who dis-that the Delta country has lost closed that Dr. DeLaine moved to a great citizen—a man with high Greenville from Mound Bayou and lofty ideals, with the courage Miss., on April 18, 1933. He had to prosecute them with the saga-been engaged in the practice of ciousness of an outstanding suc-medicine in the All-Negro town of less—there haven't been many Mound Bayou. Upon moving to men in the world like Dr. DeLaine Greenville, he immediately took an—and the world will be a long active part in civic activities a time in producing his like again." quently seen figure in Memphis. Many prominent and widely-tion of leadership in the commun-known Memphians are expected to ity. For many years he headed join with notables from other the Negro Division of the Green-states and sections in paying their ville Red Cross. Infantile Paraly respects to the deceased physi-

cian's memory at his funeral ob-saques today. *1-16-48*

Funeral rites were planned for this afternoon (Friday, at 3:00 o'clock) from Miller's Memorial Library. *Fri. 1-16-48*

An accolade to the deceased doctor's memory was paid by a prominent Memphian, Lt. G. W. Lee, Monday night, with the statement: "Doctor DeLaine was one of the most thorough and painstaking physicians in the Mid-South. He had a fine mind that was as clear as the waters of an English spring and touched many shores of human thought. He was one of the finest conversationalists that I ever knew—a man of great courage

Officials Mum On Nurse's Death In Male Hospital

By NNPA News Service *Jan. 31 - 48*

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Neither Carl R. Gray, administrator of Veterans Affairs, nor Dr. Paul, chief medical director of the Veterans Administration, would comment last Monday on reports that a colored former army nurse died in the men's ward of the veterans hospital at Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

The VA public relations officer, however, made public a telegram from the branch director of hospitals at St. Louis asserting that she had been treated no differently than other female patients. The telegram said:

"Miss Velma Mae Brown was in a hospital room with another patient, the same facilities provided by Jefferson Barracks VA Hospital for white female patients.

"Miss Brown was a bed patient and physically unable to use any toilet facilities other than a bed pan. A screen in the room between beds and the door obscured view of anyone passing by which is customary procedure in most hospitals.

"No male patient, regardless of dress, was permitted to enter rooms of these female patients."

Miss Brown was the sister of Edgar G. Brown, head of the National Negro Council.

FATHER FLANAGAN IS DEAD IN BERLIN

The Times
29 Nebraska

Founder of Boys Town in 1917

Stricken With Heart Attack

While Touring Germany

New York, N.Y.

VISITED JAPAN LAST YEAR

Sat. 5-15-48

His Home in Nebraska Famed

for Democratic Teachings

—Saw No 'Bad Boys'

BERLIN, Saturday, May 15 (AP)—Msgr. E. J. Flanagan, founder of Boys Town in Nebraska, died early today of a heart attack, a spokesman for the Army Hospital here said.

The famed Nebraska priest, who would have been 62 years old on July 13, was taken suddenly ill here last night at Harnack House, an American Military Government residence. He was brought to the 279th Station Military Hospital. He had been on an inspection tour of German youth facilities at the invitation of the United States Army. He had made a similar tour in Japan last year.

Msgr. Flanagan had obtained international recognition with the spread of his credo: "There is no such thing as a bad boy."

Started With Five Boys

A man of infinite capacity, moral courage and faith in God and youth, Msgr. Edward Joseph Flanagan, by his energy and persistence, founded and directed what is probably the world's most famous home for homeless boys, Father Flanagan's Boys Town Home at Boys Town, Neb., near Omaha. The home, where approximately 5,000 boys have been housed, taught and prepared for life in a period of twenty-five years, began humbly with two starving newsboys and three other lads charged with delinquency as its first inhabitants in 1917. *The Times*

The home grew and received more and more public acclaim until, in 1938, it became the subject of a successful \$1,000,000 motion picture, "Boys Town," starring Spencer Tracy as the priest and Mickey Rooney as the boy who was made into a fine man by Father Flanagan. By this time Boys Town was incorporated as a vil-

Nebraska

lage. In 1939, with a big new building program started, the home's capacity was increased to 500 boys. *New York, N.Y.*

By 1939, too, the humble institution had grown into a thriving, 160-acre tract on which were dormitories, business offices, grade and high schools, farm buildings and a chapel. And many improvements were under way. The boys were governed by a mayor and six commissioners elected semi-annually from among themselves. The boys submitted themselves also to the findings of their own municipal court. *Sat. 5-15-48*

Based on Tolerance

Democracy is the keynote of the school. There are boys there of many races, religions and colors. Although the guiding star of the school was a Catholic priest he did not compel the non-Catholics to attend Catholic services. Non-Catholics were simply taught to believe in God and obey the moral laws.

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Boys were taught languages, mathematics and other school subjects. Many entered colleges and became good students and, in after life, successful men. Some learned trades and others farming. As many as possible were placed in private homes, received jobs or otherwise assisted.

Father Flanagan—he was universally known simply as Father Flanagan—was born in Roscommon, Ireland, on July 13, 1886, the son of John and Honora Larkin Flanagan. His father was a farmer. The future priest had eleven brothers and sisters. One of his elder brothers, a priest, was instrumental in persuading him to go to America in 1904. He previously had studied at Summerhill College, Sligo, Ireland, and from there he went to Mount St. Mary's College at Emmitsburg, Mo., where he was graduated in 1906 with an A. B. degree. *The Times*

Father Flanagan studied at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, N. Y., 1906-07, and at the Gregorian University, Rome, 1907-08. His health weakened and he came back to America, living in Omaha and working, when able, at a packing company plant. He studied at the Innsbruck, Austria, Jesuit University, in 1909-12, and was ordained a priest at Innsbruck in 1912. Later he received LL. D. degrees from Mount St. Mary's College, St. Benedict's College, Atchison, Kan., and Creighton University, Omaha. *New York*

Worked With Older Men

He was assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church in O'Neil, Neb., in 1912-13, and was assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church in

Omaha, 1913-16. He started a Workingmen's Hotel in Omaha in 1914. His work with homeless, drink-sodden, crime-hardened men convinced him that the time to reach the best in men was when they were very young. *Sat. 5-15-48*

Many honors came to Msgr. Flanagan and Boys Town. He served for ten years as president of the Omaha Welfare Board, was elected Omaha's "First Citizen" by Post No. 1, American Legion, Omaha, in 1930. In 1936 he was made a monsignor and two years later he received the humanitarian award of the Variety Clubs of America. When Spencer Tracy won the award of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for the best performance by an actor in 1938 in "Boys Town" he presented it to Msgr. Flanagan. In 1941 "Men of Boys Town," another film, was produced. *5-15-48*

Father Flanagan sailed for a three and a half-month visit to



MSGR. EDWARD J. FLANAGAN
5-15-48
The New York Times

Austria, Germany and Italy on March 5. He had spoken out several times since his arrival in Europe for admission of the European displaced persons to this country. On April 12 he was received by Pope Pius XII at the Vatican.

In 1946 he visited his native Ireland and was greeted by a sister, Mrs. Jean Staunton of Ballynoe, County Roscommon. He was accompanied by the Rev. Patrick Flanagan, also of Nebraska, a brother. *Sat. 5-15-48*

The Boys Town choir toured the Eastern United States in the fall of 1946, and sang at Carnegie Hall on Nov. 6.

Author Of Banned Book, 'Races Of Mankind,' Dies

NEW YORK — Dr. Ruth F. Benedict, professor of anthropology at Columbia University and one of the two authors of "The Races of Mankind" famous pamphlet arguing the equality of all races, died here Friday of a heart attack.

Dr. Benedict is best known for her authorship of the pamphlet which reached a circulation of over a half a million copies, arguing that all races of mankind were equally equal, and that an equal opportunity would reach the level of their individual abilities.

The pamphlet prepared for a training course to be used in the U. S. army during the war, but was banned by order of former Rep. Andrew J. May, then chairman of the House military affairs committee, on grounds that it sought to undermine the army morale by attacking "white supremacy."

Ruth Benedict Ripped Myths of Racists

By Peter Stone

DR. RUTH FULTON BENEDICT, America's foremost woman anthropologist, died last week at the age of 61. She was one of those who contributed most to the *Politics* (1940), presented a popular account of what scientists have learned about race; a merciless criticism of racism; and a brilliant analysis and refutation of the theories put forward by racial propagandists.



THE GREAT WOMAN ~~she~~ was convinced on the basis of her studies that the Declaration of Independence was correct in calling for the equality of all people despite their race, color or creed.

A clearly worded resolution passed in December, 1938, by the American Anthropological Association, stated that the "prime requisites of science are the honest and unbiased search for truth and the freedom to proclaim such truth when discovered and known."

Every lecture and book that Dr. Benedict wrote was based on scientific truths and exposed the concepts of "superior races." Her classic work, *Race, Science and*

New York
pology, history, psychology and sociology.

Her studies were hammer-blows at the Hitlers and their imitators. She notes in her excellent pamphlet (written with Dr. Gene Weltfish) that "the best scientists cannot tell from examining a brain to what group of people its owner belonged."

A REAL political and social contribution came from Dr. Benedict's remarkable surgical operation on the diseased and festering sores of anti-Negro propaganda. She noted that the Japanese warlords tried to unite under their leadership the colored races of the world in a vindictive war against the whites.

This great anthropologist did not deny racial differences. But she told her audiences constantly that this had nothing to do with superior mental powers. Modern science had exposed the fallacy of blood differences, noting that there were only four main types—and these existed amongst all peoples. The famed bloodbank exists because blood plasma is used to restore any man of any color who has been wounded in battle, or in need of emergency treatment.

She reawakened interest in the fallacy about intelligence differences amongst "races." All scientific work in this field shows that it is educational opportunities, and not skin color that determines one's grade in intelligence tests.

DR. BENEDICT was not content to study the scientific opinions of others and translate them into popular language. She made constant field trips among the Pueblo, Mission, Apache and Blackfeet Indian tribes. Her written work includes *Patterns of Culture*, *Tales of the Cochiti Indians* and *Zuni Mythology*. More recently her *Chrysanthemum and the Sword* was published as a result of her government assignment to make an anthropological study in Japan.

This tall, grey-haired, soft-spoken woman scientist will be missing from the ranks of fighting progressives. But she left us a real legacy. She has put into her debt all those who wish honestly to come to grips with racial prejudice, whether in Negro, Semitic, Nordic, Oriental or 100 percent American guise.

Dr. Benedict unearthed the scientific facts. It is up to us to explain them to the people.

Broadway Jones Immaculata, Dies

Atlanta Daily World
ATLANTA, Georgia

BY JAMES L. RICKS
NEW YORK (NNPA) — "Broadway" Jones, the colorful stage character who dropped dead enroute from an engagement in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania, was really named Henry Jones and was a native of Florida. He earned the nickname "Broadway" because of his refusal

to wear anything but the latest clothes worn on the "Street." His immaculate dress caused the folks along the Great White Way to comment that "he'd rather have a suit than a sandwich."

John Levy's Club Ebony on Broadway has folded and will reopen under the management of Danny Kaye owner of the Three Dueces. Kaye will name it the "Robin's Nest" after the disc jockey Fred Robins. Joe Louis, the champ, is rapidly growing bald. The other day Joe was asked how long it takes him for Barbara in the UN delegates to get rid of a blackeye such as the restaurant at the Palais De Chalnifty "shiner" he is sporting as a lot in Paris, and Ralph Bunche, the result of a recent exhibition bout. acting UN mediator for Palestine. Said the laconic Louis: "I don't know. I've never had many of 'em."

came over to introduce himself. Joseph Smythe, the white husband Barbara also bumped into Anne of milliner Mabel Sanford Lewis Brown's sister (Mrs. Andre Wheat-Smythe, gave her a television set) in Copenhagen and had a tete recently. Her marriage gift was a a tete with Samuel Allen formerly Cadillac. Smythe is the former of the DA's office in Big Town who married Anastine Haines of Akron, Francais.

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honor of Adelaide Hall at the Club Sudan.... Billy Butler, editor of Travelguide, is a regular walking encyclopedia on folks in the theater.... Carl Holland has resigned as night manager of the Theresa Bar to become a Welfare Department investigator. The new dietician at the Theresa is Adele Halsey who held the same job at Sydenham Hospital.

Harlemites don't like to admit it, but West Indians or persons of West Indian extraction control virtually all of the influential positions which colored people hold in the Big Town. Jewish people control that which the West Indians don't control.

BACK FROM EUROPE

Barbara Watson, daughter of Judge James Watson, is back from Europe where she was guest of the Danish Government. Danish delegates to the UN threw a luncheon to get rid of a blackeye such as the restaurant at the Palais De Chalnifty "shiner" he is sporting as a lot in Paris, and Ralph Bunche, the result of a recent exhibition bout. acting UN mediator for Palestine.

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Death of Huey, Noted Actor, Revives Stories of His Past

By ALVIN E. WHITE
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ture, Huey was one. Ponderously heavy, although years ago when he first attracted attention he was a mere slip of a lad. Huey romped through play after play just as he romped through life.

"In Abraham's Bosom" was one of his first works—and he hit the stage just at the time the colored actor was being "discovered" by Broadway. He reveled in the land of make-believe and pulled himself up by his own bootstraps.

Attended Hampton

Little is known of Huey's origin—but he attended Hampton Institute at one time. But everybody knew Dick from "Three Men On a Horse," "Porgy" and other Broadway hits, the last one in which he appeared, "Bloomer Girl," he stole the show with "I Got A Song."

"L'il ole me," as he called himself in the song, was a student of human nature and the theater. He stopped all arguments with his favorite expression. *Everybody in Hamptons racket, fellow—you got yours and I got mine—yours may be a little more high class, but it's a racket just the same.*"



DR. W. P. NORCOM
in the fraternal world, his wishes were carried out to the letter.

NO FRATERNAL RITES

33rd degree Mason of the Prince Hall Affiliation, a past grand master of the Free and Accepted Masons of the state of Connecticut, the state in which he practiced medicine before coming to Brooklyn in 1927; the examining physician of Brooklyn Lodge No. 32, IBPOEW, the Mother Elk Lodge of the East, and a member of several other fraternal organizations, his wish was that there be no fraternal rites over his remains, and there were none.

The funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon, Jan. 24 in Concord Baptist Church, and on one of this severe winter's worst days, the church was filled to capacity with people and fraternal associates who came to pay their respects to a beloved departed friend and brother.

INFANTRY BATTALION

Among them was a detachment of officers from the Third Separate Infantry Battalion, New York Guard, a military organization the deceased helped to form in Brooklyn and in which he held a commission as captain of the medical detachment during the entire five years of the battalion's existence. He was also an officer previously to returning to New York in the Connecticut National Guard.

Dr. William Porter Norcom Buried With Simple Rites

By CHARLES T. MAGIL

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—With the passing of Dr. William Porter Norcom here on Wednesday, Jan. 21, the career of one of the few Virginian-trained educators, the late Dr. Norcom of Portsmouth, Va., came to the end.

Ill for several months, Dr. Norcom long ago wrote out to the last details, the manner in which he wished his funeral conducted, a simple one just as he lived. And James E. Saltus, comprised the simple ceremonies, simple as he wished, but beautiful over-all.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

The funeral arrangements, again as he directed, were in charge of Arthur L. Funn, another warm personal friend during life, and director of the A. Q. Martin Funeral Establishment, and were carried out by Mr. Funn. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery.

Dr. Norcom is survived by a widow, Mrs. Rebecca deGraffenreid Norcom; a daughter, Mrs. Mary Taylor; a grandson, William James; a son-in-law, Norman Taylor and a brother, James G. Norcom of Portsmouth, Va., and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Born in Portsmouth in August, 1885, the son of Israel and Mamie Elliott Norcom, he studied at Hampton Institute, the medical schools of Howard University and Michigan University and the medical college of Yale University, graduating from the latter in the class of 1911.

He was a member of the American Medical Association, the Kings County Medical, the Provincial Clinical and the New York Medical Associations and a charter member of Theta chapter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

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NAACP EXPRESSES SHOCK
AT DEATH OF WILL IRWIN

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New York, N. Y., Feb. 25--The following telegram was sent to the widow of Will Irwin today, expressing the regret of Walter White, executive secretary of the NAACP, at the death of the noted author: "Have just learned with great shock and sorrow of Will's death. Please accept my most sincere sympathy. He was a great Human being and we shall be eternally grateful for the magnificent job he and you did in stirring America to the horrors of mob violence through the Writers League Against Lynching."

Feb. 27-48

Will Irwin, an active member of the Writers League, which was formed in 1933 to protest the current wave of lynching, used his pen to awaken Americans to the necessity of putting a stop to lynching. The present favorable climate of opinion toward anti-lynching legislation is largely due to efforts which Will Irwin and other members of the Writers League Against Lynching put forth.

~~WILLIAM B. THOMAS~~, chairman of the George W. Carver Memorial Fund and poet, died Saturday morning in New York in a Chicago hospital after an illness of several years; friends here the late Dr. Carver Thomas conlearned yesterday. He was 58 years old.

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Mr. McKay came to this country in 1912 from Sunny Ville, Jamaica, his birthplace, and studied at Tuskegee Institute and Kansas State College. While working as a Pullman porter, dock-hand and fireman, he traveled about the United States, gathering material and writing.

A friend of Max Eastman and A. Philip Randolph, he worked in New York on The Liberator and in London on The Dreadnought, with Sylvia Pankhurst. In the early days of the Russian revolution, he met Nikolai Lenin and Leon Trotsky in Moscow. In 1922 Mr. McKay addressed the Third International, as a representative of the American Workers party.

In his speech, he asserted that the Negroes of the United States were denied the right of free assembly and were often lynched, with the intention of turning the worker's mind from class war to race war. Mr. McKay remained in the Soviet Union in 1923 to write a book for American Negroes on the Russian revolution.

During the middle and late Twenties, he lived in Paris, Berlin, the south of France and Morocco. His most popular novel, "Home to Harlem," was published in 1923 and achieved immediate success. John R. Chamberlain in THE NEW

YORK TIMES Book Review, praised the book and said of it: "If there is a moral or a point to this novel, it is that the Negro is happiest when he makes no attempt to assimilate an alien white culture."

In 1929, the William A. Harmon Foundation honored Mr. McKay with a gold medal and \$400 for his book of poems, "Harlem Shadows," because they "voice in tragic force many of the deeper feelings of the modern Negro," and for his "Home to Harlem."

"Banana Bottom," a story of Jamaica in the early Nineteen Hundreds, appeared in 1933 and four years later came his autobiography, "A Long Way From Home." His last book, "Harlem: Negro Metropolis," was published in 1940. Other volumes of his poems were "Songs of Jamaica," 1911; "Constab Ballads," 1912, and "Spring in New Hampshire," 1920.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Hope McKay Virtue, a student at Columbia University; a sister, Rachel, and four brothers, Utho, Hubert, Nathaniel and Thomas all of Jamaica.

Ex-N.Y. Alderman, Geo. Harris, Dies

NEW YORK--George W. Harris, 66, noted civic leader, politician and journalist, first of his race to serve on the Board of Aldermen, and founder of the former "New York News," daily newspaper, died Saturday morning at Harlem Hospital.

A native of Topeka, Kan., he worked on a cattle ranch as a youth to earn money to study at Harvard College from which he graduated in 1907, and later attended Harvard Law School for two years.

New York Mail and Express, and the late Mrs. Margaret Louisa Vanderbilt Shepard.

She attended private schools here and was married on Feb. 5, 1891 to Colonel Schieffelin, a great-great-grandson of John Jay, first Chief Justice of the United States. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1941 with a family party.

Mr. Schieffelin's mother was the donor in 1891 of the Margaret Louisa at 14 East Sixteenth Street, first residence for girls of the Y. W. C. A. in the city. Named for Mrs. Shepard, the residence functioned for the Y. W. C. A. until this summer, when it was sold.

Chairman of Residence

The daughter gave much to its upkeep, was its chairman for many years and was hostess at a party held there on Nov. 1, 1945, imitating the reception held when it was formally opened on Jan. 19, 1891. Mrs. Schieffelin was an honorary member of the board of directors of the City Y. W. C. A., and formerly, for many years, a director.

She took a leading part in affairs of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, and also had been active in the village Methodist chapel at Ashville, Me., where she and her husband had maintained a home since 1910. The Schieffelin town home has been at 620 Park Avenue since 1924. For many years before that it was at 5 East Sixty-sixth Street and earlier, at 35 West Fifty-seventh Street.

In the recent war Mrs. Schieffelin took part in a drive of the women's division of the American Committee for Christian German Refugees in 1939, was honorary chairman in 1940 of the executive committee of Friendship House, a center for refugees at 1010 Park Avenue, and was active in the American Friends of Czechoslovakia. She participated also in a movement in 1941 to aid the British by promoting the buying of British goods.

Aided Physically Handicapped

Mrs. Schieffelin served in 1945 as an honorary chairman of a campaign committee of the Protestant Council of the City of New York. She had taken part in activities of the New York City League of Women Voters, and another of her interests was the assistance of physically handicapped children.

In 1944 Mrs. Schieffelin, although a Republican, was one of thirty-eight prominent women who wrote an open letter to women voters urging the re-election of President Franklin D. Roosevelt on the basis of his foreign policy.

Besides her husband, she leaves

MRS. W. J. SCHIEFFELIN

at Frederick Avenue Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in the family plot at the Moravian Cemetery, New Dorp, S. L.

Three daughters, Mrs. Charles S. Brown, Seventy-third Street, and Mrs. Charles Bo, in the family plot at the Moravian Cemetery, New Dorp, S. L.

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Elliot Schieffelin, of Boston, Mass., surviving are two sons, Mrs. Shepard Fabbri and Mrs. Morris of New York, and Mrs. Charles Bo, in the family plot at the Moravian Cemetery, New Dorp, S. L.

Dave H. Morris of New York, and Mrs. Charles Bo, in the family plot at the Moravian Cemetery, New Dorp, S. L.

Twenty-five grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held at

Communist who married rich white girl dies

NEW YORK — Death came here last week to Herbert Newton, one of the first of the Negro Communists, who shocked the nation in the 30's with his marriage to the daughter of a Michigan banker.

Newton, who was only 44, was teaching radio engineering at the City College of New York when he died. The position represented a shelter after a series of misfortunes.

A Communist since 1926, Newton was married for more than 8 years to the daughter of John G. Emery, white Grand Rapids banker, in 1921 the national commander of the American Legion.

When the news of the Negro Communist's marriage to the wealthy girl leaked out, it caused a nationwide sensation. The former Jane Emery, Mrs Newton said there was nothing unusual about it since she was the granddaughter of a Civil War veteran who had fought for Negro freedom. The couple had four children. They later divorced.

Boston-born, Newton was graduated with honors in engineering from Northeastern university. Embittered by color barriers in his profession, he became a professional Communist, editing *The Liberator*, a radical weekly; organizing labor, with the International Labor Defense; leading Chicago's Unemployed Councils during the depression.

He went south in 1931 and was one of the "Atlanta Famous Six" who served six months in Fulton Towers on charges of violating the Georgia Insurrection laws.

Raleigh Mourns

Dr. James E. Holt

RALEIGH.—The Rev. Dr. James E. Holt, 61, presiding elder of the Raleigh district of the AME Church, died April 2, following brief illness. His funeral was the following Tuesday from St. Paul Church with the Rev. J. D. Cowan officiating. Dr. Holt was a native of Orange County, N. C. Dr. Holt lived most of his life in Raleigh. He began teaching and preaching at the age of 20 and built churches in Danville and Asheville. He taught at Kirtrell College in 1942.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Harry B. Holt; a daughter, Mrs. Augusta Gray; four brothers, four sisters and a grandchild.

Dr. W. E. Partee

The Defender Succumbs At 87

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—Dr. William Eugene Partee, 87, retired Presbyterian minister and for 20 years professor of systematic theology and church history at Johnson C. Smith university's theological seminary, died at his home, 117 S. Review Street, Dec. 12, after an illness of several months.

Born at Concord, N. D., December 19, 1860, Dr. Partee grew up as a protege of Dr. Luke Dorland, first president of Scotia (now Barber-Scotia) seminary. He was graduated from the liberal arts college of Biddle (now Johnson C. Smith university) with an A. B. degree in 1881 and from the theological seminary of the same school in 1883. He later was awarded his D. D. degree.

Dr. Partee began his ministerial career at Concord, and subsequently was pastor at Gainesville, Fla., Jacksonville, Fla., and Richmond and Lynchburg, Va.

HEADED PUBLIC SCHOOLS

At Gainesville and Jacksonville he was also public school principal. From 1912 to 1932 he was on the staff of his alma mater.

Funeral rites were held at the Seventh Street Presbyterian church here with Dr. J. W. Smith, pastor and pupil of Dr. Partee's second theological class, presiding. Speaking in appreciation of Dr. Partee's life and achievements were Dr. L. B. West, Dr. Henry L. McCrorey, president emeritus of Smith university; Dr. A. A. Hecker, of British Guiana, an early student of Dr. Partee.

Also participating in the service were Dr. Arthur H. George, dean of the university; Dr. George E. Davis, retired educator and lifelong friend of Dr. Partee; Dr. Hercules Wilson,

pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church of Concord, N. C.; Dr. Charles H. Shute, dean emeritus of Smith's theological seminary. Ex-Students Are Pallbearers

Active pallbearers were former students. They were the Reverends M. S. Belton, P. E. Davis, E. L. Henderson, C. H. Kennedy, C. P. Pitschford and L. B. Washington.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the Catawba Presbytery.

Survivors include a daughter, Fannie H. Partee, teacher at the Fairview school here; three sons, Dr. William E. Partee, Norfolk, Va.; Dr. Harold S. Partee, of Chicago; Marion D. Partee of Atlanta, Ga.; a stepson, Dr. Ernest B. Wetmore, of Morristown, N. J., and a niece and several nephews.

Former President Of Bennett Buried

20 Pittsburg Pennsylvania
GREENSBORO, N. C.—Impressive final rites for the Rev. Silas Abraham Peeler, 84, retired minister and former president of Bennett College, were held here Monday, Dec. 6, at St. Matthew Methodist Church where he was pastor for many years.

The Rev. Mr. Peeler died at his home here, Dec. 3, after an illness of several months.

Brief remarks were made by Mrs. C. P. Baker of West Dean J. C. McLaughlin of A. and Virginia State College, Institute, T. College, the Rev. J. E. Brower, W. Va., and Mrs. H. P. Stone of superintendent of the Greensboro Savannah, Ga. District; the Rev. R. W. Winchester, Interment was in Maplewood Cemetery, and Bishop R. E. Goins of New Orleans, La., retired Methodist Bishop.

Others taking part in the service were the Rev. J. W. Tynes, pastor of the Providence Baptist Church; the Rev. W. E. Hairston, pastor of the High Street Methodist Church; the Rev. D. C. Skeen, the Rev. G. M. Phelps, pastor of the church who presided over the church choir and Mrs. C. Stewart, organist.

FALL BEARERS

Pall bearers were ministers of the North Carolina Conference.

Flower bearers were officers of the student council and daughters of former students of Bennett College and members of the local Ministers' Wives Club.

The Rev. Mr. Peeler was president of Bennett College from 1905 to 1913 and has served as a trustee of the institution for the past fifteen years.

A native of Cleveland County, he began his fifty-year ministry in Macon, Ga. He returned to North Carolina and during his early years here instigated the building of St. Matthews Methodist Church. Other pastorates in the State were at High Point, Raleigh and Asheville.

Surviving in addition to his widow Mrs. Constance Peeler, are three

Tennessee



Driftwood Woods
DR. TURPIN 29
DR. TURPIN PASSES — Dr. Donley H. Turpin, Nashville, Tenn., for many years Dean of Meharry Dental College and past President of the National Dental Association, died in his home at Nashville Friday. He was a graduate of Meharry in the classes of 1918, and served continuously on the Meharry faculty in Department of Operative Dentistry and Prosthetic Dentistry. He was also a Dental Consultant at Hubbard Hospital.

During his years in the National Dental Association, Dr. Turpin served several terms as a member of the Executive Board before he became president. He leaves his beloved wife and many friends.

Final Tribute Paid Dr. Turpin

NASHVILLE — Thousands of persons paid final tribute to Dr. Donley H. Turpin, 55, dean emeritus of the Meharry Dental School, and past president of the National Dental Association, during funeral services conducted at First Baptist Church, March 30.

The eulogy was delivered by the Rev. H. L. B. Wilkins, while remarks were made by:

Dr. M. D. Johnson, president of Meharry; Dr. W. S. Davis, president of A. and I. State; Dr. W. J. Faulkner, of the Angora Assembly; the Rev. S. L. McDowell of Sylvan St. Baptist Church; the Rev. Ralph W. Riley of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, and representatives of the National Dental Association.

Cerebral Hemorrhage

Dr. Turpin died in Hubbard Hospital March 26 following a cerebral hemorrhage. A native of Piney Point, Tex., he graduated from Meharry in 1918 and from Tennessee State in 1938. He completed the Tennessee State Post-graduate course in children's dentistry in 1939.

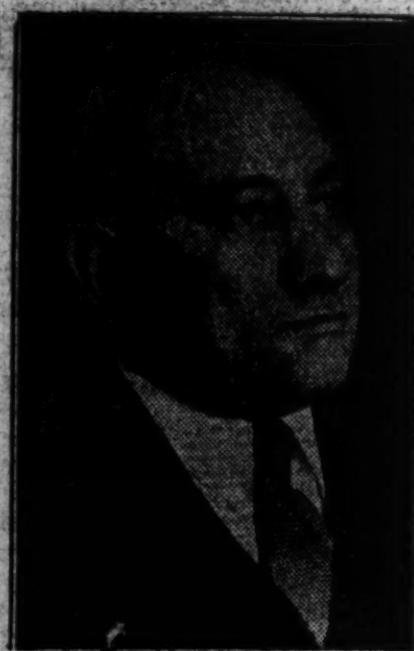
From 1918 to 1920 he was chief demonstrator at Meharry and asistant professor of operative dentistry from 1926-1928. He became staff dentist at Hubbard Hospital in 1920, and professor of prosthetic dentistry at Meharry in 1928.

Practiced Here 30 Years

Dr. Turpin was dean of the Dental School for 12 years, and became dean emeritus in 1947. Aside from his activities at Meharry, he had practiced dentistry here for 30 years. He also served as college dentist at Tennessee State.

A past master of Prince Hall Lodge, he was a member of the J. A. Henry Consistory of 32nd Degree Masons, and a Shriner. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Alta M. W. Turpin; and three sisters, Mrs. Inez Hogroroks of Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Ruby Taylor of New York and Mrs. Mildred Keyes of Newark, N.J.

Dr. Turpin Dies



Dr. Donley H. Turpin, Nashville, Tenn., for many years Dean of Meharry Dental College and past president of the National Dental Association, passed away in his home in Nashville, Tenn., Friday.

Dr. Turpin was a graduate of Meharry in the class of 1918 and served continuously on the Meharry faculty in departments of operative dentistry and prosthetic dentistry. He was also a dental

consultant at Hubbard hospital in Nashville. During his years in the National Dental Association he served several terms as a member of the executive board before he became president.

Dr. Turpin leaves behind a beloved wife and many friends.

Eminent Fisk Trustee Dies

NASHVILLE -- Fisk university officials last week disclosed the death of Dr. William Nelson DeBerry, 77, a native of Nashville, trustee, and a long-time alumnus of the school. He died in Springfield, Mass.

~~egro interpreter of Chinese, dies~~

SAN ANTONIO — A native Texan, who was self-educated, and whose mastery of languages enabled him to be a court interpreter, died here last week, just three years short of his 100th birthday.

This remarkable man was Charles Calvin Mason, 97, a native of Bexar county and a former cattleman.

Mason served as court interpreter in his younger days and among the languages he was proficient in was Chinese. A lifelong Catholic, he was buried from St. Peter Claver Catholic church in which he had been active for 40 years.

~~Lloyd Isaacs Is Black Disputed Drowning Victim~~

HOUSTON — (AP) — Funeral services for Lloyd Isaacs, business manager of Texas State University, were held last week at St. Luke's Episcopal church. Dr. R. O'Halloran Lanier, president of the university, officiated.

Isaacs, 46, was drowned Sunday morning, Aug. 8, while out on a boating and swimming party. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Clarice Isaacs, to whom he had been married 22 years and his father, R. L. Isaacs and several brothers.

Before coming to Texas State when it opened in 1947, Isaacs had worked as a business agent at Tuskegee Institute and at the Watchtower Insurance company in Houston.

~~Rev. Karl Downs Dies in Texas~~

AUSTIN, Tex. — After undergoing an operation for a kidney ailment, the Rev. Karl E. Downs, 35, president of Sam Houston College died here Thursday.

The Rev. Mr. Downs is the husband of the former Miss Marian C. Jackson, Baltimore teacher, whom he married nine years ago. They have an eight-year-old daughter, Karleen.

The deceased college president

was a son of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Karl Downs. He was born near Austin, and graduated from Sam Houston College, where he has been principal since 1943.

Excellent Administrator

He studied theology at Gammon Theological Seminary and Boston University, after which he did field work for the Foreign Mission Board of the Methodist Church.

Later he was called to Scott Methodist Church in Pasadena, serving six years, during which time he liquidated a \$27,000 debt.

At Houston the Rev. Mr. Downs aided in getting five new buildings erected on the campus, including a music building, gymnasium, and a combination dining hall and staff cottage.

Fought Segregation

With the college board, he refused to let Texas develop a colored graduate school at Houston; and he aroused State-wide interest with his interracial college student programs.

The Rev. Mr. Downs was the author of the book, "Meet the Negro." He traveled for a time with the great evangelist, E. Stanley Jones, missionary to India.

He had recently been elected by the West Texas Annual Conference as a representative to the General Conference of the Central Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church which convenes in Boston next May.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed up to press time.

~~Pay Final Tribute To Youthful College Prexy~~

(at 3-3-48)
church officiated the impressive rites.

AUSTIN, Tex. — More than a thousand persons of all races, representing 12 states, crowded Wesley Chapel Methodist church last Tuesday and Wednesday to pay their final tribute paid to Dr. Karl E. Downs, president of Samuel Huston college, who died suddenly February 26 following an emergency operation at Brackenridge hospital here. Dr. Downs was only 35 years old and was in his sixth term as president of the college.

Bishops, educators and leading laymen of many denominations flocked to the city for the final rites. Schools were dismissed and businesses along the route of the funeral cortège were closed in respect for the youngest president in the system of colleges operated by the board of education of the Methodist Church.

(Bishop G. C. Smith)
Bishop A. Frank Smith, resident bishop of the Houston area of the Methodist church, in an expression of sympathy to Mrs. Downs, declared: "His loss to the church is incalculable. No man in Metho-

dism, colored or white, was doing more than he was for the cause of Christian brotherhood."

College alumni launched a move for a memorial building in Dr. Downs' honor and the first contributor was Mayor Tom Miller of Austin.

Dr. Downs was a member of many learned societies, including the National Association of College Presidents. He was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. Author of many articles, his most outstanding work was a book "Meet the Negro" a presentation of the lives of outstanding colored Americans, a volume which achieved world circulation.

His survivors include his wife, the former Marion Carol Jackson of Baltimore, their 8-year-old daughter, Karleen May Downs; his mother, Mrs. Luretta Hollis Downs, six sisters and two brothers.

Prominent Virginia Educator Dies

Mrs. Janie Barrett Is Given Last Rites

Journal Guide

Sat 9-9-48

HAMPTON, Va.—Funeral services for Mrs. Janie Porter Barrett, distinguished Virginia educational leader who died Friday night at Dixie Hospital after a brief illness, were held at Bethel AME Church here Monday afternoon, Aug. 30. The Rev. J. A. Smith led the services.

The burial took place in the Elmerton cemetery, on King Street. Pallbearers included Fred Davis, Edward Robinson, Paul Williams, and Frank Wyche, all of Hampton; and Major W. R. Brown, Gideon L. Smith, Lorenzo C. White, and Charles E. Williams, all of Hampton Institute.

AWARD WINNER

Mrs. Barrett, who in 1915 led the State Federation of Negro Women's Clubs to found the Virginia Industrial School for Girls at Peake in Hanover county and who was its superintendent from 1915 to 1940, won a Harmon Foundation Award in 1929 for "inspiration and achievement in education."

A graduate of Hampton Institute, Mrs. Barrett was founder and head worker of the Locust Street Social Settlement in Hampton—a work which brought early recognition of her worth as a community leader and led directly to her election in 1913 as president of the State Federation of Negro Women's Clubs.

OTHER EXPERIENCES

She also served on the executive boards of the Southern and the Virginia Commissions on Interracial relations, the Negro Organization Society of Virginia, and the Eastern Star.

She was the widow of the late Harris Barrett, another Hampton graduate, a principal founder and the first secretary of the Peoples Building and Loan Association of Hampton, and cashier of Hampton Institute.

Mrs. Barrett is survived by two daughters, Miss J. Louise Barrett, Registrar of Virginia State College, and Mrs. Catherine Barrett Cook, teacher in Roosevelt High School, of Gary, Indiana.



MRS. JANIE P. BARRETT
Mourned



Funeral services were held in Hampton, Va., recently for the late Mrs. Janie Porter Barrett, 1929 Harmon award winner and founder and former superintendent of the Virginia Industrial School for Girls. A graduate of Hampton Institute, Mrs. Barrett was known for her activities in education and social and civic work in Virginia.

William H. Thorogood, Churchman, Former Political Leader, Buried

Journal Guide

Sat 9-9-48

NORFOLK—Funeral rites were held at St. John's AME Church Sunday afternoon, Dec. 1, for William H. Thorogood, 90-year-old bachelor, for a half century a nationally-known AME lay church leader, with the Rev. H. M. Shields, pastor, delivering the eulogy.

Mr. Thorogood, a retired employee of the United States Customs Service, who resided at 321 East Brambleton avenue, died at a local hospital Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 2:45 p. m. He had been ill for the last six weeks.

He was a native of Norfolk, the son of the late Richard and Mrs. Ellen Thorogood.

BORN IN SLAVERY

Born during slavery, 1859, the year of John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry, Va., when the clouds of the Civil War were gathering menacingly over these United States, Mr. Thorogood came to manhood during the Reconstruction Era.

Living through the period without the benefit of a formal education, he arose to be one of the most prominent and influential citizens in this city, remaining in the spotlight of local church and civic affairs for about 40 years, until prompted by his advancing age and the changing times, he quietly passed into comparative seclusion.

Mr. Thorogood, once this city's top churchman, fraternal man and politician, died little known by the generation coming on the scene during the past quarter of a century.

RETIREES FROM SERVICE

After 38 years of continuous service he was retired as custodian

at the old U. S. Customs House on Main street, at the head of Granby. His first appointment to the Customs Service on March 26, 1890 was under the administration of President Benjamin Harrison, and doubtless came as a reward by the Rep-

publican Party of which he was a strong supporter. For over 60 years Mr. Thorogood was a leader in the affairs of his party and on different occasions served as a delegate to the National Republican Convention.

At the time of his retirement from the Customs Service, he also was retired from duties he had been performing at the Norfolk

Navy Yard for a long period of time.

A PHILOSOPHER

The nonagenarian, during the late years of his most active life, had become regarded somewhat as a philosopher. Always possessed of an abundance of what is known as mother-wit and keen perspective, his counsel had been much sought on many affairs, especially

CHURCHMAN FOR 60 YEARS

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energetic member of St. John's Church, having joined under the pastorate of the late Rev. A. L. Gaines, who later became bishop. During his day of greater activity he served as a delegate to many church conferences. As a trustee of his church, for many years he held an unchallenged position, and into the record of that historic edi-

fice, much of his life has been interwoven.

Sat 12-18-48

Prior to the advent of the United States Civil Service system, "Bill" Thorogood, as he was familiarly known, through the power wielded as a Republican stalwart, influenced the appointment of many Negro carriers in the local Post Office as well as teachers in the public schools.

His community interest is seen in the fact that it was he who many years ago petitioned the school board to declare May 30th a holiday for the schools, and the school children at present enjoy this holiday largely because of his action. Also, aware of the educational needs of the colored children here, he was largely instrumental in having the John Smythe School on Brambleton avenue transferred from white to the use of Negro pupils.

His hobby was the growing of flowers, and following retirement he spent the major portion of his time as an amateur horticulturist. The front yard of his home was always beautified by the growth of variegated flowers.

Mr. Thorogood is survived by two brothers, W. P. Thorogood of Norfolk, and John Thorogood of Bridgeton, N. J.; two nephews, Frederick J. Thorogood, attorney of New York, and Richard Brooks of Portsmouth; two nieces, Mrs. Ethel Stewart and Mrs. Ellen Tucker, both of Richmond. Interment was in West Point Cemetery with Cremation Funeral

Home of Portsmouth in charge of burial arrangements.

Bishop Russell Dies; Funeral Rites Thursday

Journal Guide

Sat 2-12-48

Staff Correspondence

NEWPORT NEWS, Va.—Bishop Charles L. Russell, of Washington, D. C., died here at a local hospital, on Sunday,

Feb. 8, at 9 a. m. Bishop and Mrs. Russell had been visiting Mrs. Russell's sister, Mrs. Pearl Banks,

757 26th street, for the past three weeks. He had been a patient at

DR. RUSSELL

The deceased prelate was bishop of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C., and presided over the eastern area which embraces Maryland, Washington, D. C., Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina. He had been bishop for 10 years and was the 21st bishop of the CME Church.

The bishop was a Hebrew scholar having been the first of his race to write a Hebrew book titled "Light Talmud." He received his doctorate from a Hebrew College in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Janie Porter Barrett

Few persons in any generation have been privileged to live a more extraordinarily useful life than did Mrs. JANIE PORTER BARRETT, the distinguished church woman, educator, and civic leader whose passing in Hampton, Virginia, is mourned literally by thousands of persons whose lives were influenced in one way or another by her sparkling personality.

Best known perhaps as founder of the Virginia State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs and the Virginia Industrial School for Girls at Peake's Turnout, Virginia, Mrs. BARRETT'S seemingly unbounded energies were

nevertheless projected into numerous other fields, and her warm influence spread over a wide area of constructive social service.

To many less hardy souls the founding of the Virginia Industrial School in 1915 might have been regarded as the climax to a brilliant career, but to Mrs. BARRETT it only provided the incentive for many more years of constructive effort for her people and the nation as a whole. She served as superintendent of the school from 1915 to 1940, and as a result of her outstanding work she was honored with the annual award of the Harmon Foundation in 1929 for "inspiration and achievement in education."

A graduate of Hampton Institute Mrs. BARRETT was noted for her organizational ability and was founder and head worker of the Locust street Social Settlement in Hampton. It was large-worth as a community leader and thisly because of her services in this post that early recognition was accorded her subsequently led directly to her election in 1913 as president of the Virginia State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs.

An active church worker in Hampton for many years, Mrs. BARRETT also served on the executive boards of the Southern and Virginia Commissions on Interracial Relations, the Negro Organization Society of Virginia, and the United Order of Eastern Star.

For a life of such extraordinary usefulness to come to an end, in one sense, is tragic indeed. But in the broader concept it is well to remember too, that the inspiration which stems from such a shining example of useful living will live throughout the ages.

In the normal course of events, Mrs. BARRETT will be succeeded in the noble task to which she dedicated her life, and younger hands are even now carrying her mantle. We use the term "succeeded" advisedly. She will be succeeded, for it will be difficult indeed to replace her.

CME Bishop Dies In Newport News

WASHINGTON — Funeral rites for Bishop C. L. Russell of the CME Church, who died at Riverside Hospital, Newport News, Va., early Sunday morning, were scheduled for his home Thursday afternoon. He was made a bishop at Hot Springs, Ark., in 1938.

Noted Woman Educator Dies In Virginia

BY REBECCA STILES TAYLOR

HAMPTON, Va.—Mrs. Janie Porter Barrett, who in 1915 led the Virginia State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs to found the Virginia Industrial School for Girls and herself served as its superintendent for 25 years, died August 27, at Dixie hospital after a long illness.

A graduate of Hampton Institute, Mrs. Barrett first attracted attention as a social service worker as the founder and head worker at the Locust Street Social Settlement in Hampton. This work brought her early recognition as a community leader and led directly to her election in 1913 to the presidency of the State Federation of Colored Women's clubs of which she was organizer.

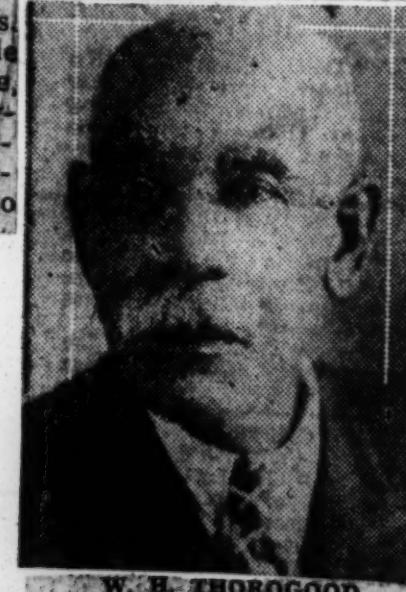
Harris Barrett's Widow

Mrs. Barrett was the widow of Harris Barrett, another graduate of Hampton Institute, a founder and first secretary of the Peoples' Building and Loan Association of Hampton and cashier of Hampton Institute.

Mrs. Barrett served as a member of the executive boards of the Southern and Virginia commissions on interracial relations and received the NAACP's Harmon award for outstanding contributions to better race relations, Velt High school, Gary, Ind.

Funeral services were held at the Bethel AME church, August 30. Her pastor, the Rev. J. A. Young conducted the service. Interment was at the family plot on King st.

Pallbearers included Fred Dans, Edward Robinson, Paul Williams and Frank Wyche, all of Hampton, and Major W. R. Brown, Gideon L. Smith, Lorenzo C. White and Charles H. Williams, all of Hampton Institute.



W. H. THOROGOOD